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Village shop signs contract for £190k loan from district council

A VILLAGE shop has been given a boost thanks to a loan from the district council.

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Community Services Ltd (HRCS), the community benefit society which owns and operates Our by Anders Larsson

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SHOP on behalf of its 380 members, signed the loan agreement on February 9th.

HRCS chairman David Clements said: "This is a major step forward for us in securing the future of Our SHOP, as it protects us against future interest

"Our SHOP with its post office has a steadily growing turnover and continues to provide a key service to Hinton St George and surrounding villages, which is particularly important in view of the current lack of a post office in central Crewkerne.

"We provide a vital lifeline to the elderly who are unable to leave their houses to shop, as well as being a hub of the community.

"We are hugely grateful to SSDC for granting us this loan.'

Paul Maxwell, SSDC ward member for Eggwood Ward, said: "This is exactly the sort of purpose for which community loans are intended and the proposal received the unanimous support of council members.

'We are delighted to be able to help to secure the future of such an important community asset and the village is to be congratulated on the efforts it has made to keep Our SHOP and Post Office open and in making it an attractive and welcoming place



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■ ON THE DOTTED LINE: Councillors and members of Community Services Ltd, which runs OUR Shop, sign the contractual agreement for the loan

Councillor Peter Seib, portfolio holder for finance at SSDC, said: "It was an easy decision to support this community venture.

"Hinton St George gains an enormous social benefit from the shop and their specific problem was the scale of the finance required, which is where we could help with a loan."



■ OUR SHOP: From left, district councillors Peter Seib, Paul Maxwell and Ric Pallister with shop committee members, staff and volunteers Les Farris, Ann–Marie Lawson, Nick Kirby, David Clement, Jeremy Rook, Diana Clements. Jillian Fawcett. Andrew Norton. Rosamund Annetts and Lizzie Kimber

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



COLYTON Former cardiac consultant David Clarke has released 'Old Man', a book of grumpy verse, proceeds to Devon Air Ambulance



SOUTH SOMERSET: Tracey Hobbs, who with her brother-inlaw Gerald reopens the long-closed Squirrel Inn at Laymore, near Winsham, at Easter



SEATON: Well-travelled Dutchman Mike Ruiter is the manager of the soon-to-open major tourist attraction Seaton Jurassic



HONITON: Invictus Games medallist Ray Lowrie rowed a total of 17 hours in support of Row2Recovery team of amputee veterans who rowed across the Atlantic

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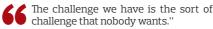
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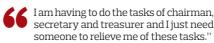
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John Gudge, after 22 years as chairman of the Chard branch of the Royal British Legion, which is at risk of folding if more former servicemen and women, and their families, do not join the fundraising organisation

We were sworn to secrecy and had to sign proper contracts, so we can't say

> Greg Lockyer, owner of a fisherman's cottage in Seaton which is soon to feature on BBC2's The Great Interior Design Challenge

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TOP STORIES FROM ACROSS **EAST DEVON AND SOUTH SOMERSET**

AXMINSTER & CHARD Schools join forces in partnership

HOLYROOD Academy in Chard and Axe Valley Community College in Axminster have joined forces in a management partnership, initially until the end of the year.

The governing boards of both Axe Valley Community College and Holyrood Academy have entered a formal partnership that will be led by the current principal of Holyrood, Martin Brook, who takes on the role of executive headteacher.

The management partnership runs up to December 31st 2016.

During this period, both schools will work towards creating a long-term partnership around the Multi Academy Trust (MAT) model.

By 2020, the government expects all schools to be part of an academy partnership, such as a MAT.

COLYTON

Parish council accused of hostility

THE development of Colyton Parish Neighbourhood Plan has got off to a rocky start with resignations and claims that the parish council, which is leading the project, has acted in a "threatening, aggressive and hostile" manner towards volunteers.

Issues came to a head at last Monday's council meeting, where volunteers complained that they had been accused of "having a shindig at the parish council's expense"

Former Mayor of Colyford Howard West announced his resignation from the neighbourhood plan committee. He reported that he and his wife Anne had been "accused of splitting the village in two". had received verbal threats from a parish councillor, and another member of the Colyford committee had also since resigned.

From the editor's chair Another unseemly council row

A NEIGHBOURHOOD plan being put together

for Colyton and Colyford is turning out not to be

The whole idea of a neighbourhood plan is to

ensure that the local community has the final

say on whether a development plan comes into

force in their area. The local planning authority

- in this case East Devon District Council - is responsible for organising the initiative.

It gives volunteers the opportunity of work-

ing alongside their local council to ensure that

a wider view is taken into consideration when

There are neighbourhood plan groups in both

Colyford and Colyton who come together to re-

port to Colyton Parish Council - but for some

weeks now rumours have been rife that mat-

ters have not been all sweetness and light - not

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parish council last week when councillors

were accused of acting in a "threatening, ag-

gressive and hostile manner" towards volun-

Former councillor and Mayor of Colyford

Howard West went even further by claiming

for the first time in Colyton in recent years.

mapping out a future of a community.

very neighbourly at all.

that he and his wife had been threatened by a member of the parish council. The next day he stood down as a member of the neighbourhood plan committee, as did his wife and another person from the Colyford committee.

Council chairman Andrew Parr moved quickly to dismiss such accusations, claiming Mr West has been "fighting a turf war" be-tween Colyton and Colyford. Now they needed to get on with the job in hand. It seems a great shame to me that Colyton

Parish Council find themselves in the midst of further disturbing claims.

Colyton is such a tightly knit community which always rises to the occasion when it comes to supporting community projects and events. One might argue that the town deserves better.

In recent times this newspaper has been treated in an appalling manner by some parish councillors and no doubt we will be accused of fanning the flames once more.

The matter is clearly not over as this newspaper understands there will be more resignations from the Colyford volunteers.

PHILIP EVANS

SEATON & BEER

Restaurant owner backs guilty pair

THE owner of a Beer business has vowed to stick by her managers - even though they have both just been convicted of fraud.

Roberta Hunt owns the Seafood Platter, previously known as as the Barrel O' Beer, and employed Andrew and Julia Rayner from Southend, Essex, 18 months ago to run the business.

But last week Andrew Rayner, aged 52, was jailed for five years for committing ten counts of fraud when he appeared at Basildon Crown Court alongside his 49-year-old wife Julia. She was sentenced to nine months imprisonment - suspended for 18 months - for money laundering.

"I have known about this right from when they first came to me and obviously I was worried. said Mrs Hunt, "but I can only speak as I find and I am happy to support them as they have supported me through a very difficult time way and above what you would expect.

Mrs Hunt also confirmed that the pub had been put back up for sale just before Christmas.

CREWKERNE Village shop signs

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HONITON

teers from Colyford.

Councillor hits out over sanctions

A HONITON town councillor has launched a judicial review into sanctions imposed on him by his own council.

Dr John Taylor was found to be in breach of an East Devon District Council (EDDC) code of conduct - to treat others with courtesy and respect - and was censured by Honiton Town Council.

Dr Taylor is now challenging these sanctions as he believes they effect his ability to provide the service he was democratically elected to do.

The row between councillor and council first exploded, over a year ago, when Cllr Taylor wrote to a constituent explaining a council decision. In the letter Cllr Taylor made remarks about Town Clerk Chetna Jones, which a standards committee later found breached EDDC's code of conduct.

Sanctions included removal from various com-

mittees and groups.

Dr Taylor said: "The ... sanctions upon me are completely unlawful. I approached have lawyers... in order that I might exercise my democratic right.

ILMINSTER

Meeting held over road closure concern **DEPUTY** Mayor of Ilminster. Councillor Tony

Walker, says a meeting helped to give everyone involved a better understanding of the situation ahead as the town prepares for a five-week closure of Station Road.

Following concerns raised by local businesses over the scheduled closure, Ilminster Town Council arranged a meeting for all interested parties and Somerset County Council (SCC).

Assistant SCC Highways Service Manager, Mike Fear, who is responsible for co-ordinating the work, explained why the work is necessary, the requirements for diversionary routes and the proposed signage.

Councillor Walker said: "This was a constructive meeting ... which has led to a better understanding of the challenges facing everyone during this important work.

'As a result of the meeting there will be some changes to the signs that will be advising of access and diversions and local businesses are better placed to make arrangements for the duration of the works."

The major highway drainage improvement work is due to start on February 22nd.

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WEST Hill's bid for its own parish council has taken one step closer after East Devon District Council's cabinet agreed to several recommendations following a report from the Chief Executive into the matter.

However, the inclusion of a proposed boundary change to West Hill is proving a controversial decision.

West Hill's current parish ward would be reduced by nearly half, meaning that the new boundary wouldn't include areas like Higher Metcombe, Lowlands Farm and Cuckoo Down Farm.

The matter will now go in front of full district council at the end of February where the council will decide whether or not the parish council will be created.

After that, a three-month consultation will take place to iron out kinks in the name of the council. its boundary and how many councillors will be on the council

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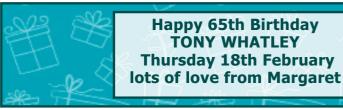




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Council funding cuts described as 'challenge that nobody wants'

SOMERSET county councillors have heard the scale of the future funding challenge facing the au-

A meeting of the council's Cabinet agreed budget proposals for 2016/17, and members were told of the projected shortfalls over the following four years as funding from central government contin-

Between 2017/18 and 2020/21 the authority is facing an expected funding shortfall of approaching £40million, which doesn't take into the costs of inflation or the ageing population; and assumes successive council tax increases.

"However hard we work looking towards the future and closing the gaps, the government settlement has made that more difficult," said Councillor Harvey Siggs, Cabinet member for re-

"The challenge we have is the sort of challenge that nobody wants. Our proposals for next year focus on prioritising the essentials and include a number of savings that we prefer not to have taken.

"The only decisions left are difficult ones and it's important that we have also been able to set out major capital investment in key areas.'

Cabinet agreed to recommend the budget proposals to full council for approval when it meets tomorrow (Wednesday).

The proposals set out around £8million of sav-

ings for the coming year and capital investment of £75million in roads, schools and economic devel-

They also include increases in council tax – two per cent ring-fenced for adult social care and 1.99 per cent for other essential services. A further 1.25 per cent is also proposed on behalf of the Somerset Rivers Authority to help fund its vital flood protection work.

The plans no longer include a reduction in the discretionary subsidy for free bus pass holders using community transport. In light of consultation feedback, a proposed savings of £80,000 has been

Ambitious devolution plans for the region were also agreed by Cabinet and recommended to full council for approval. The bid has been agreed by 23 local partners including the county council and all five district councils in Somerset and the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership.

"Somerset has been at the heart of this bid," said leader of the council, John Osman.

"The bid has focussed on productivity, the skills agenda, housing and health and we have set ambitious but realistic targets.'

A copy of the papers for the Cabinet meeting on February 8th, including details of savings, capital investment and council tax proposals, can be found online at http://bit.ly/1PqJti3

Ilminster Police search for man who exposed himself to children

POLICE in Ilminster are on the hunt for a man who allegedly exposed himself to children.

A man drove up alongside the children, engaged them in conversation before exposing himself from inside his car.

The incident took place in Canal Way at about 3.45pm on Friday, February 5th.

The man was driving a silver-coloured five door car. He is described as white, of large build and aged in his 30s.

Sergeant Rob Jameson said: "Incidents of this type are extremely rare in Ilminster and while we'd ask people to be vigilant they should not be alarmed.

"We have carried out a number of enquiries as part of this investigation, including house to house enquiries and reviewing CCTV from the

"We'd now like to hear from anyone who recognises the description of the man, or who saw anything suspicious around the time of the incidents, to get in touch."

Anyone with information is asked to call 101 quoting crime reference 5216026283.

Supermarket shoppers warned to be vigilant after bank card thefts

Crewkerne are among those who have been targeted by bank card thieves.

Avon and Somerset Police have issued an alert after a spate of similar incidents through-

A spokesperson said: "We're urging people to pay extra attention when using their bankcards following a number of thefts across the county.

"Most of the incidents bear similarities in that the victim uses their card to pay for goods at supermarkets before returning to their ve-

"Whilst loading shopping into their cars, they are then distracted by one or two people who then manage to steal the bankcard.

"They then withdraw cash or use the stolen

card to pay to purchase items." One incident took place at Tesco in Chard on-February 1st, another one taking place on Feb-

PC Matt Lorimer said: "These thieves are opportunistic and so the best way to avoid becoming a victim is to remove their opportunities.

"I would urge members of the public to pay extra attention when using chip and pin devices when paying for goods or using cash

"You should also be vigilant if you are approached by strangers acting suspiciously when returning to your vehicle.

"In most of these cases, the suspects have asked the victim for directions to the nearest

"People should ensure that handbags and purses are not left unattended when putting shopping in your car or if you are engaged in any conversations with strangers."

Anyone with any information regarding the incidents are asked to call police on 101.

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Police and Crime Panel approves proposals for increased council tax

AVON and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Sue Mountstevens' proposals to rise the policing part of council tax have been unanimously approved by the Police and Crime Panel.

The increase of 1.99 per cent in the policing part of the council tax is equivalent to an extra £3.48 a year for the average band D household. This means from April 2016 the average band D household will pay £178.26 for policing.

Ms Mountstevens said: "This was not a proposal I considered lightly. I am fully aware that hardworking families will find any tax increase difficult.

"Although Chancellor George Osborne said that he would protect the police budget, he expected commissioners across the country to rise the policing part of the council tax in order to keep the police budget balanced

"Over 70 per cent of the 3,000 people we spoke to said that they supported an increase in the policing part of the council tax. I hope that, like me, the constabulary take heart from this support because it shows that their hard work is valued and appreciated by the communities they serve. I am also pleased that the Police and Crime Panel unanimously

accepted my proposals."

At the meeting the panel reviewed the budget proposals with the PCC and acknowledged that the final police funding settlement is better than had been feared. However, it was noted that £16.7million of savings is still required over the next five years to balance the budgets and that the police face ever more complex demand and higher numbers of vulnerable victims.

The PCC reiterated her continued commitment to work with the Chief Constable to drive efficiency from collaboration and partnership working, in order to meet the emerging demand pressures and enhance service delivery at the same time as making the required savings.

Panel chairman, Councillor Nigel Ashton, said: "While we all understand that tax increases are never popular, we do accept that policing has a great deal of support in the community. The 1.99 per cent precept increase equates to £3.48 per year on an average band D property. We therefore unanimously supported the commissioner's proposal."

The Police and Crime Panel, is independent of the office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and oversees the work of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

If you have a story for South Somerset call reporter Anders Larsson on 01297 446142

Squirrel Inn set to reopen for Easter

EASTER will mark the start of a new era for a village pub which has been idle for almost a year.

The Squirrel Inn at Laymore, near Winsham, is undergoing an extensive refurbishment and is set to reopen on Good Friday, March 25th.

The people behind the new venture are local brother and sister-in-law Gerald and Tracey Hobbs (pictured right).

Gerald runs a garage at Chard Junction where Tracey also works. They have experience of helping to run the bar and being on the committee of Perry Street Club, but this will be the first time they are solely in charge of an establishment.

Gerald has always wanted to own a pub, and saw the The Squirrel Inn auction sign when he drove past on a motorbike last year.

The pub has been shut since last summer apart from a one-off on January 6th when Gerald and Tracey opened up to keep the traditional ash faggot burning alive.

Good Friday's grand reopening will feature live music, which looks set to become a regular theme. Gerald and Tracey will take advantage of the great outside space by holding an ABBA Gold picnic in the park event on July 30th.

Both are very pleased with local interest in the reopening.

Gerald said: "Feedback is good, every day there is someone coming in and asking when we are opening.

"We already have a function booked, and will be open for skittles and darts."

Gerald has family ties to the building as his uncle, Ron Walker, helped build it in the early 1950s.

Tracey looks forward to Easter and beyond, and said: "We have no regrets, more panicking to make sure that everything is done on time!

"There is no reason why it shouldn't be, and we would like to welcome anybody who would like to come in and see us."







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Chard WATCH project opens its doors to the public with Time to Talk event

ect opened its doors to the general public for its Time to Talk Day on Thursday, February 4th.

WATCH (Working Altogether in Chard) is a voluntary group that was set up to reach out and engage with adults who, because of various conditions and issues, are socially isolated and who face barriers within their community and surrounding areas.

Manager Matthews reiterated that the group is not just about mental health - it

is there to help isolated people in Chard as well. Also present was Debbie Humberstone, founder of The Project which offers early intervention support for young people with mental health issues.

After eight successful years in Axminster, Debbie is raising awareness in Chard and starting to forge closer links with the community.

District councillor Amanda Broom said: "Since being elected, I have learnt a great deal about the work that the Watch project undertakes, and am really pleased to see The Project here as well.

"As a community, we should all be getting involved and helping to break down the stigma of mental health, it really can affect any body, at any time and have such an impact on people's lives.

"To be able to signpost people for the right support is something we should all be doing - Time to Talk Day embodies just this, a simple conversation can make such a difference to helping to end mental health dis-

If you want more information or can help volunteer, contact Julie Matthews for the Watch project on 07506 238540 and for the Project Debbie Humberstone on 01404



■ TIME TO TALK: WATCH members and visitors send a message

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Rotary Club hosts Youth Speaks semi-final at Holyrood Academy





THE Rotary Club of Chard hosted the Rotary District 1200 semi-finals of the Youth Speaks Competition at Holyrood Academy giveing youngsters the opportunity to practise their public speaking skills.

 $Eight \, teams \, took \, part \, representing \, Holyrood \,$ Academy, Beaminster School, Sherborne Prep School, Colfox Academy, Wadham School, Sunninghill School Dorchester and Park School in Yeovil, which entered two teams.

The judges - Geraldine Kerton-Johnson, headmistress of Sherborne Girls School; Sarah Graham, headmistress of Chard School and Jonathon Farey, governor of Holyrood Academy - had a difficult task as the general standard was very high.

The winning team was judged to be Beamin-

ster School - the chairman being Charlie Backhouse, the speaker Alfie Webb and the proposer of thanks Jack Wyatt. Alfie's subject was "What Makes a Sport"

The runners-up were Colfox Academy chairman Max Jones, speaker Emily Hendry and proposer of thanks Nat Warmleighton whose subject was "To Tweet or Not to Tweet"

The winning team now goes forward to the final at Kings of Wessex School, Cheddar, on Saturday, February 27th.

The President of the Rotary Club of Chard, Robin Williams, welcomed everyone to the competition and introduced the individual teams. Medals awarded to the winners and runners-up were presented by the Mayor of Chard, Councillor David Bulmer.

Holyrood set to thrill with "The Thirty Nine Steps"





MP and councillor given tour of school

LOCAL MP Marcus Fysh paid Chard School a flying afternoon visit.

Together with district councillor Amada Broom, Mr Fysh was shown around the school and had time to meet some of the pupils.

Chard School looks forward to welcoming him to the school again later in the year.

Photographed left are headmistress Sarah Graham, Marcus Fysh MP, chairman of governors Sue Kirby and Year 3 pupils.

Rotary marks Burns Night

THE Rotary Club of Chard recently celebrated Burns Night in fine style at the Guild-

Approximately 60 members and guests enjoyed a fun evening of food, music and dancing.

The evening commenced with the parade of the haggis and the address was given by Rotarian Dick Arnold. This was followed by a bring your own supper which was much enjoyed.

The music for dancing was provided by Treieskalion Ceilidh Band, which drew many dancers on to the floor.

An auction of promises conducted by Rotarian Paul Arnold raised just over £1,000 which will be split between president Robin Williams' charities, Horseshoes and Handprints and Polio Plus.

The club would like to thank all who made the evening such a success with special thanks to the Guildhall team.

RBL appeal for members

THE Royal British Legion branch in Chard has put out an SOS for support as it is in real danger of folding because of a lack of members.

Former servicemen and women in the Chard and surrounding area and their families are needed to help save the branch from closing.

The branch needs to find a president, chairman, secretary and treasurer.

Long-standing chairman John Gudge has told Chard Press that he should be standing down after nearly 22 years in the role.

But he added: "At present I am having to do the tasks of chairman, secretary and treasurer and I just need someone to relieve me of these tasks."

Mr Gudge, who is well-known in the Chard area, said: "If anyone knows of someone who might be willing to help with the welfare of their ex-service friends – please put them in touch with me."

The branch co-ordinates the annual Poppy Appeal locally in the Chard area which raises thousands of pounds for the Royal British Legion charity which provides welfare and advice to servicemen and women past and present.

REHEARSALS are well-underway and tickets are selling fast for Holyrood Academy's annual production.

This year's performances of "The Thirty Nine Steps" promise to be a riveting tale of intrigue and suspense!

This timeless thriller will be brought to you by Holyrood Academy's two talented teams – The Hurricanes and The Spitfires – on February 25th and 26th, with Ethan Smith and Sam Hunt sharing the leading role of Richard Hannay, accompanied by sidekick Pamela, played by Milly Whitefield and Mia Bond, as they at-

tempt to uncover the cryptic secret of the 39 Steps in 1930s London.

A spokesperson said: "It's great, it's grand, it's glorious; this showcase of comedy, thrill and mystery will leave you crooning over the man who put the 'man' in romance, laughing at the wacky and wonderful women and almost definitely wanting more of the secrets and suspense the great Mr Memory has to offer!"

Performances will be held in the academy's Upper Site Hall at 7pm each evening.

Pictured left, Oliver Lenthall, Mrs Joliffe and Seth Dellow at rehearsals.



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Charity shop targeted for second time in 10 months

POLICE are appealing for information after an Ilminster charity shop was burgled last week – for the second time in just 10 months.

The Sue Ryder shop in East Street was broken into sometime overnight Wednesday, February 3rd and Thursday, February 4th and manager Jackie Cambridge has confirmed that thieves stole the shop's float money and collecting tins.

She said: "It's not the money being taken which is the most upsetting; it is the fact that we have to pay for the repairs to the front door, which was kicked in ,and the loss revenue from being closed most of Thursday.

"Whoever did this made a lot of mess as well in the shop rummaging through stuff so that all needs to be cleared up."

It is believed that, considering the mess which was made by the thieves, that some stock may have also been stolen in the raid.

Jackie added: "We have lost money which should have gone towards the care of residents in Sue Ryder care homes around the country.

"I hope the Ilminster people will continue to support us in the next few weeks so we can recoup some of the losses and we apologise for being closed at this time."

Anyone with information is urged to contact police on 101 or phone Crimestoppers on 0800–555111.

The Sue Ryder charity provides hospice and neurological care for people facing a frightening, life-changing diagnosis. The charity does whatever it can to be a safety net for patients and their loved ones at the most difficult time of their lives.

"We see the person, not the condition," said the charity's website.

Florist donates £500 to Christmas lights fund

A CHEQUE for £500 has been presented to Ilminster Christmas Lights Committee.

The money was raised by Angie Blackwell and her girls at Cottage Flowers in East Street, from Christmas floral design demonstrations last November at The Minster Rooms.

Lights committee chairman Clinton Bonner said: "We would like to thank Angie and her team at Cottage Flowers for their continued support of the Christmas lights in the town.

It is very much appreciated."

Angie added: "Cottage Flowers thank everyone who again supported the events and helped raise this amazing amount for the Ilminster Christmas lights."

Christmas morning demonstrations will be held again this year at Ilminster Warehouse Theatre on Thursday, November 10th and Wednesday, November 16th.

Rotarian marks 40 years with club

IT was drinks all round this week as retired local solicitor, Edward Wells, celebrated 40 years since joining the Rotary Club of Ilminster.

When asked what had kept him interested for the last 40 years Edward said,

"Good friends and doing good things. Rotary is a marvellous organisation.

"In recent years we have had to change to remain relevant to modern day society. Although some old timers like us may find it hard to change, it is the new blood that is now joining us, and



who wish to do things in a different way, that will see us through another 40 odd years of doing what we do best, putting 'Service Above Self'."

Mr Wells is pictured above celebrating his 40 years with the club with fellow Rotarian Roy Pickett.



■ LIGHTING UP: Ilminster Christmas Lights committee members Rob Drayton, Ian Anderton, Dave Jewson, chairman Clinton Bonner, Mike Stephenson and Roger Swann with Angie Blackwell of Cottage Flowers

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Twinning chairman agrees to continue in role Post office to be given

ILMINSTER Twinning Association held its an-nual general meeting at Ilminster Bowling Club this week and elected its new committee.

More than 40 members of the association were in attendance and were thrilled that, once again, Rita Peasland agreed to take on the role of chairman once again.

Now in its 21st year, Rita her husband Steve, who were founder members of the twinning association, have seen some exciting times and this year looks like being no exception with a trip planned to Rice–sur–Belon later in

Members of the twinning association have also been invited by the Rotary Club of Ilmin– ster to help in hosting this year's community lunch, held during the Ilminster Midsummer Experience weekend in June, and it was agreed that there would be an Anglo-French theme with maybe even a competition to see which cider locals prefer, Breton or Somerset.



Art society members enjoy talk on Wallace Collection miniatures

THE Neroche Decorative & Fine Arts Society's (DFAS) opening lecture of the year offered members an insight into the world of the miniature, as seen in the Wallace Collection in London.

Lecturer Stephen Duffy, a former senior curator of the Wallace Collection and author of a book on its miniatures, brought the subject alive with his in-depth knowledge and many illustrations.

After explaining that a miniature was not special just because of size but also because they are painted with gouache on either parchment, ivory or enamel, Stephen roamed through the 334 fine miniatures, dating from the 16th to 19th centuries, held in the collection.

The Wallace Collection, given to the nation by Lady Wallace in 1897, is a family collection amassed by a family able to afford to indulge their passions - the 4th Marquess of Hertford was one of richest men in Europe and he and his son, Sir Richard Wallace, were both passionate collectors of miniatures and bought the very best examples of the highest quality.

The photos of their day, miniatures are mainly, but not exclusively, portraits and portray everyone from courtesans to the great and the good.

Stephen entertained the audience at The Shrubbery Hotel in Ilminster and has inspired many of the DFAS members to search out the miniatures next time they visit the Wallace Collection.

To find out more about Neroche DFAS including future events, visit the website www.nerochedfas.org.uk



■ GUEST SPEAKER: Lecturer Stephen Duffy with Neroche DFAS committee member Caroline Fisher

modern refurbishment

two weeks in March to allow for modernisation works to be carried out.

The post office branch in East Street is to be changed into one of the organisation's new main style branches. But this means it will be closed for refurbishment on Saturday, March 5th at 12.30pm and the new look branch will open again at its same location on Wednesday, March 16th at 1pm.

Post office area manager David Gold said: "This change is part of a major programme of modernisation taking place across the post office network – the largest in history of Post

The changes will mean a modern, open plan environment for customers and longer opening hours, as well as providing all the same products and services.

Mr Gold added: "If there are any unforeseen schedule changes which mean the dates of closing and re-opening change, posters will be displayed in the branch to let customers know.'

Post office customers who use the branch on a regular basis will have to find alternative facilities while it is closed at the post office branches in Horton and Chard.

Although the post office branch opening hours at Ilminster will remain the same from 9am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and from 9am to 12.30pm on Saturday, retail counter facilities offering a number of selected services will be open from 8.30am to 6pm Monday to Friday and from 9am to 12.30pm on Saturday.

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Search continues for post office premises

THE hunt continues for a new post office prem-

Post Office Ltd. representatives have visited the town regularly, but said they have not yet found suitable premises.

The town centre branch recently closed because the landlord had given notice to vacate.

A Post Office Ltd spokesperson said: "We are in discussion with an interested party who wants to take on a post office.

"However, we are not ready to start a sixweek public consultation regarding re-opening this branch at a new location as we need to find suitable premises.

"Post Office Ltd's representatives have visited Crewkerne on several occasions and looked at possible premises as have at least one potential new operator.

"The premises were too small or too expensive to operate a viable post office and new re-

Club to combat loneliness

A CLUB is being set up in Crewkerne to combat loneliness and isolation.

The Go-Out Club is founded by Shirley Brown, who will use Bilby's Café for meetings, the first one to be held on Friday, February 19th from

Shirley said: "The aim is to reach people who are isolated or lonely for whatever reason, who live locally and want to go out, meet people and live well.

"People will be asked to become members and have a say about what they do and where they go. The first meeting is free but people will have to pay for drinks and food."

More information is available by calling 07548 368312 or email info@thegooutclub.co.uk

U3A film-making group enjoy another sell out screening of 'The Power and The Glory'

IT was like a Hollywood producer's dream; a film showing that attracted a record attendance and every copy of the DVD was sold afterwards.

Anorak Communications, the film-making group that is part of Crewkerne & District University of the Third Age (U3A), presented their latest film called "The Power and The Glory" at the monthly U3A meeting at the Henhayes Community Centre on February 1st.

Attendance for the film show was a record, beating the previous best by more than 30, and extra chairs had to be brought in for all those who attended.

The film is about historic churches in Somerset and Dorset, and in particular tells the story of the ex-German prisoner of war, who installed the stained glass windows at East Chinnock Church over a period of 26 years, as a way of saying thank you for the kindness he was shown by the villagers.

Interest in the film has been so high that this was the second time that Anorak Communications has sold out its stock of copies of the film. And with more shows scheduled in the area in the coming weeks, extra copies are being ordered.

The film was presented by four members of Anorak Communications - Colin Mayes, Alan Keene, Brian Lawrence and Tom Downey.

"We have got shows coming up in Tatworth and Chard, so we will need to get some more copies made as quickly as possible," said Alan.

He said that plans are still being made by the team for their next film, so it was too soon to reveal any details. Meanwhile, "The Power and The Glory" seems set for a long run.

Anne Bright, chairman of the U3A, said: "It was wonderful to see such a big crowd here to see the



■ ANORAK SELL-OUT: Another sell-out success for film-makers Anorak Communications, with from left: Tom Downey, Alan Keene and Brian Lawrence

film, and for us to learn so much about churches

A big attendance could really is expected for next month's talk, by Colin van Geffen, on selection

and training for the world famous RAF Red Arrowns display team.

It takes place at Henhayes Community Centre on

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■ CORRECTION: Apologies for last week giveing the wrong names of the children from Combe St Nicholas Primary School (pictured) who won the Youth Speaks competition at Swanmead Community School in Ilminster. The correct names of the children are Charlotte Parsons, Sarah Cawley and Sienna Lanfear, who successfully argued the case for the imposition of a tax on sugary foods and drinks.

Council kept busy with fallen trees during Storm Imogen

SOMERSET County Council's highways team responded to around 30 reports of fallen trees as Storm Imogen raged across the county last

This followed the service's busiest weekend since the 2014 floods with around 200 out of hours emergency callouts between Friday night and Monday morning.

Highways have been helping remove fallen trees across the county, inspecting roads and closing and reopening them where needed in liaison with the police.

On Sunday evening, highways staff delivered sandbags to Curry

 $\label{eq:continuous} Rivel \, Primary \, School \, to \, help \, protect \, it \, from \, further \, flooding.$

Councillor David Fothergill, Somerset County Council's Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport, said: "A big thank you to our highways team for helping keep our roads clear over the past 72 hours.

"The weather has been extremely disruptive but they've done a terrific job in responding quickly to help keep drivers safe."

For a detailed round-up of weekend weather-related events and the latest on road closures in Somerset, visit the website http://bit.ly/1V8uECe

Austism charity looking for help to move and rebuild sensory cabin

A CHARITY hopes generous individuals and building companies will step forward and help move a cabin to Crewkerne.

Community Wessex is the social care division of regional charity Autism Wessex, which helps people affected by autism to live fuller, happier lives.

Director of social care services Jon Wyatt explained: "We are looking for skilled, local people within the community to offer their services to help us relocate our £14,000 sensory cabin from Broadwindsor to Crewkerne.

"We have been quoted a figure which isn't viable for our charity and we are therefore calling on the good nature and generosity of local handymen and women to provide their practical skills to dismantle the wooden cabin, transport it the seven miles to our property, Middlepath, in Crewkerne, and rebuild it.

"The sensory cabin would provide a retreat which would enhance the lifestyle of Steven, one of our service users in Crewkerne."

Steven Shurvinton has lived in Autism Wessex's residential homes and been supported by the charity for the past 18 years.

He is now 40 years old and has transformed from the anxious 22-year-old who came to the charity all those years ago.

Jayne Simmonds, deputy manager of Middlepath residential home, explained: "Steven prefers to be quiet, and benefits hugely from having space within an environment he can control.

"He lives in a shared home and the sensory cabin would allow Steven to have a small space in which he can be self sufficient and enjoy the garden which is his greatest interest.

"Steven loves the peace and quiet of the garden, and a cabin of his own he can use all year round would mean the world to him.

"The sensory cabin is equipped with a range of sensory equipment such as a light projector and soft cushions to provide a restful space. It is a special place - a safe and caring room, which Steven could enjoy without being isolated."

If any local businesses or individuals have the capabilities to assist Autism Wessex in moving the cabin just seven miles and reconstruct it to make a world of difference to



■ RELOCATION: Steve Shurvinton would benefit greatly from having regular access to the sensory cabin

Steven's life, Autism Wessex would love to hear from you.

It is anticipated the project will take two to three days of time. Please call Jon Wyatt on 01305 213131 if you can help in any way.

The charity relies heavily on donations from the public and fundraises for its work. For further details visit the website www.autismwessex.org.uk

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Disability issues addressed at networking event

PEOPLE with disabilities, service providers and campaigning groups gathered at an event, organised by Access for All and funded by South Somerset District Council, to share experiences and ideas on making communities more inclusive.

"Aspirations and Challenges" was organised by Access for All and funded by South Somerset District Council.

Participants at the event, held at The Gateway in Yeovil, heard from Mike Rowsell, who spoke powerfully about the challenges of his everyday life including the disappointment of being unable to access his room at a local hotel for his sister's wedding. Although he had been told the venue was fully accessible, on arrival he had found that he could not reach the bedroom, bathroom or toilet because doors were too narrow to accommodate his wheelchair.

Ron Homer, from the Yeovil Visually Impaired Bowls Club, who has achieved national and international success, proudly shared his gold medal achieved at the Disabled Bowls World Championships in New Zealand last year.

Representatives of Stand Against Racism and Inequality (SARI) spoke about recognising, reporting and stopping disability hate crime, mate crime and online bullying, and a speaker from Somerset Libraries described the free, online services and support now available via the libraries.

The lunch break gave the opportunity for networking and for visiting stalls provided by the RNIB, Action on Hearing Loss, South Somerset MIND and Somerset YouCanDo. Information and advice was available on housing, welfare benefits and support with appeals, and Careline, the emergency alarm service for people at home, provided by South Somerset District Council.

District councillor Jo Roundell Greene, portfolio holder for Equalities and Diversity and deputy leader of the council, said: "Listening to the experiences of people with disabilities is central to making South Somerset a place where people can live, work and enjoy life equally and unrestrained by physical barriers or prejudice.

"I am thankful to everyone who spoke about their experiences today and hope we can build on this event, working together to achieve the changes that are needed."

Forty-five people attended "Aspirations and Challenges", including local councillors from all political parties.

Pictured right, Mike Roswell from Access for All in the front with, front row from left, Marilyn Stephens (Somerset You Can Do), Cherry Cobb (Access for All), Councillor Jo Roundell Greene, Jo Morgan, Ron Homer (Access for All and National and international vowls champion visually impaired), Mayor Mike Lock, Siful Ullah (Stand Against Racism and Inequality), Michael Vickery (Access for All). Back row from left, Ed Crowther (IT Help at Home), Stan Shayler (Access for All), and Pauline Lock.



Police force 'delighted' with inspection report

AVON and Somerset Constabulary has been commended for keeping local communities safe and reducing crime.

An overall judgement of "good" for Avon and Somerset was the conclusion of Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary following inspection of forces across England and Wales.

Deputy Chief Constable Gareth Morgan welcomed the findings, and said: "Avon and Somerset Constabulary has had a very challenging and testing 18 months.

"Throughout this time we have been determined to remain focused on keeping local communities safe and reducing crime.

"It's what we're here to do. Our challenge now is to build further still on the findings of the inspectors and on our engagement with the communities we serve."

Police and Crime Commissioner Sue Mountstevens added: "The principal purpose of a police service is to keep people safe and reduce crime.

"It's therefore important to have acknowl-

edgement that Avon and Somerset Constabulary is achieving a legitimate standard that local people have a right to expect.

"I'm delighted to see the value of local policing teams recognised within the report as well as the constabulary's commitment to an ethical and inclusive workforce.

"The report has also highlighted key learnings which I am in discussions with the constabulary about particularly around ways the Independent Residents' Panel can scrutinise the use of taser and stop and search."



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School expected to close this July due to falling student numbers

A FEE-paying school in Somerset, which attracts students from across the Crewkerne, Chard and Ilminster areas, says a decline in pupil numbers is to blame for its likely closure.

Chilton Cantelo School in Yeovil - and its owner Cognita - has begun consultation on the future of the school and say a closure is likely at the end of the current academic year.

In a letter to parents, headteacher Verity White wrote: "Over the past five years we have experienced a significant and steady decline in pupil

"There are several factors that have contributed to this, most notably legislative changes that have significantly reduced the number of boarders from armed service families. Historically, many of Chilton's boarders were from families stationed at nearby RNAS Yeovilton, all of whom qualified for an education subsidy grant that was cuty in 2010 and came into effect in early 2011.

"This combined with the school's rural location and range of nearby day schools - also with spare capacity - has had a progressively detrimental effect on pupil numbers.

"Indeed, the picture at Chilton refelcts the national trend of falling numbers at UK independent schools and the South West has been hit particularly hard.'

The letter, dated February 8th, didn't give past and present pupil numbers but did say that, despite efforts, including investment over the last two years to the tune of £1.2 million to improve facilities and extending academic provision with a nursery, pre-prep and sixth form, numbers have continued to fall.

The headteacher added: "It is with great regret that we begin consulting on the future of the school, including the likely closure at the end of the year... We believe that we must now step back and review what is in the best interests of all con-

"We are deeply saddened to have to come to this position but can see that declining pupil numbers will, in time, negatively impact the breadth of education the school offers. We have a duty of care to our pupils and want to act responsibly in the best interest of their education. That is why we are now taking action to consider all options for the future of Chilton - before the educational experienceof all our current and future pupils is in any way compromised."

The school has said it will remain "openminded" to all options during this consultation period but has to remain "realistic", adding that it was "unlikely that a solution to our situation can be found".

The headteacher has said staff will work closely with families to provide support during this "unsettling" time, especially for students currently studying for GCSEs or A-levels, and will help identify alternative schools in the event that Chilton does close in July.

A series of meetings for parents has been arranged and it is expected that the consultation period will last until early March.

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Local MP says he would vote to leave EU if a referendum was held today

YEOVIL MP Marcus Fysh says it is a difficult call, but he would be inclined to vote to leave the EU if there was a referendum today.

He made the statement during a parliamentary debate about the EU, calling for a rational approach to the referendum which may take place in June.

In a session dealing with a lot of hypotheticals and lessons from history, Conservative MP Mr Fysh set out the issues of EU membership which affect people's lives, arguing that his role would be to offer a "dispassionate assessment of what the referendum choice means in terms for people and their families".

Working through ten categories, he scored issues from one to five, with five being the most likely to benefit from leaving the EU, ending with a score of 36 out of 50 and saying: "I am leaning towards thinking it is in our interests to leave.

"I am not sure that the renegotiation, or prospect of reform from within Europe, will make much difference to these basic judgments. I have not made up my mind fully but I believe in Britain and its people.

"The emotion I feel at the moment is for them. "Personally, at this stage. I would be inclined to

Speaking after the debate, Marcus added: 'I'm starting to get a lot of letters and emails about where I stand on Europe.

"In fact, my vote won't count for more than anyone else's but I hope I have laid out one way in which people can at least approach making their decision.

"I think people will choose what's right for them and their families.'



Ilminster resident raises £4,507

AN amazing £4,507 has been raised by Helena Jones and her pals in Ilminster for the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

The charity is very close to Helena's heart as her mum, Kathleen, has the disease.

The money was raised with a variety of fundraising activities including a 60s disco and attending the Party in the Park and the Victorian

Helena said: "I would like to thank everyone who has helped to raise this amazing amount of money.

Helena would also like to thank Emma Jane Taylor, Abbi Bond, Chris Stuckey, Becky Cosgrove, Donna Rowe, Amy Charlton, Justine and Darren Paul, Ellie Ogg, Vickie Ogg, Lucinda Chant, Marie Upshall and Sarah Miller for all their help and support - as well as the many local businesses, individuals and organisations who donated prizes for

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Carnival annual meeting

ILMINSTER Carnival Committee will be holding its annual meeting later this month and would be delighted to welcome new members to the group.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 23rd at the Shrubbery Hotel in Ilminster starting at 7pm.

"We are looking to welcome new members who would like to help support the future of Ilminster Carnival," said a spokesman.

"If you are interested and would like to be involved – then please come along on February 23rd. Everyone is welcome."

This year's Ilminster Carnival will be held on Saturday, October 1st.

Ilminster man stuck on roof

FIREFIGHTERS were called out on Thursday, February 11th to rescue somebody who got stuck up on a roof.

The alarm was raised at just after 2pm to the incident at The Heights in Ilminster and one fire engine crew from the town was mobilised.

A Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service spokesman said: "We found one male unable to get down from a roof.

"We got to work to rescue the male by using a triple extension roof ladder."

Crew called to vehicle fire

FIRE crews from Crewkerne were despatched to a vehicle fire in Lopen.

The fire was reported just after 8.15pm on Wednesday, February 10th, and a spokesperson from the fire and rescue service said: "On arrival crews found the vehicle to be well alight and used breathing apparatus and one hose reel jet to extinguish the fire.

"The cause of the fire was believed to be accidental."

Tesco helps local family

THE Tesco store in Ilminster has handed over a cheque for £310 to a local family who found themselves without a home after fire severely damaged their flat in the town.

It was back on the afternoon of January 7th when a fire broke out in the flat of Adam and Liz Woodard in West Street.

Thankfully Adam was at work and Liz was out with their two young sons, Bertie and George, at the time of the fire and were unharmed.

But they lost virtually everything in the blaze and are now slowly trying to put their lives back together.

The Ilminster community has rallied to their support and given them lots of donations of items which can help to rebuild their home, plus they have received the backing of some local businesses.

While the Tesco store – led by community champion Helena Jones – held

a fundraising day for the family which led to a collection of £310.

Liz said: "We've been overwhelmed by the support, kindness and generosity of the Ilminster people. It has been truly amazing and we'd like to thank Tesco and their customers for this amazing donation – it's all very humbling."

But Liz and Adam are still searching for somewhere to call home – having spent time staying with families and friends.

So far they have been unable to find anywhere which is available or within their price range to stay in Ilminster.

They have been offered accommodation elsewhere, but would love to stay in the town.

Liz said that after all the support they had received from the Ilminster people they would really like to stay within that community.

Masonic Lodge donates to local groups

ILMINSTER Youth Football Club and the 1st Ilminster Brownies have received £1,000 each thanks to members of the Ilminster-based Nyanza Lodge of the Masonic Lodge.

The Nyanza Lodge put in £1,000 towards the funds and gained match-funding from the Somerset Province of Masons.

Charlie Barker, the assistant provincial charity steward of Somerset Province, said: "The Somerset Province as a whole looks to support local Lodges in what they do, and has several funds that do so. Nyanza have accessed the Legacy Match Fund to get matched funding for their local causes.

"This is a fund that has been operating

for the last six years and has so far given out £35,000 directly to 45 lodges to match the Lodge's own fundraising. "Across the Province, looking at all the

"Across the Province, looking at all the Lodges and all the funds, over the past seven years, over £800,000 has been donated to charities and organisations across Somerset.

"So when local organisations like the Brownies or football teams need support, it's something that Lodges really try their best to support. Investing in the local community pays dividends for us all."

Pete Childs, of Ilminster Youth Football Club, and Becky Bristow, of the 1st Ilminster Brownies received the cheques from Mr Barker during a presentation at the Shrubbery Hotel in Ilminster.

Flipping good fun!

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Local residents to benefit from advice on weight, exercise and healthy eating

A CONTRACT to deliver the county council's healthy weight, physical activity and healthy eating service has been awarded to Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Somerset Activity and Sports Partnership (SASP) and Somerset Community Food (SCF).

The new service will mean Somerset's residents can access the expert advice of a healthy lifestyle team, including health trainers, active lifestyle officers and children and families workers. Intense support will be available for some individuals and families.

SASP will provide advice and information on physical activity while Somerset Community Food will provide healthy eating advice and Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust will provide weight management services as well as support for other lifestyle issues.

The new service will be supported by the ZING website with information on all sorts of organised physical activities within Somerset, which anyone can browse by town or postcode.

The ZING Somerset website includes information on healthy eating, as well as advice to help people get started if they are not used to exercise. Individuals can create a personal account and start to record the amount of activity they have completed to earn personal awards. Peo-

ple can also compete with others in challenges and league tables.

Zing Somerset also has an app for iOS or Android phones, which you can download for free and log your activity minutes on the go at www.zingsomerset.co.uk

Councillor Anna Groskop, Cabinet member with responsibility for health at Somerset County Council, said: "We want better health for our residents here in Somerset; less obesity, less of a divide between richer and poorer people in terms of their health and life expectancy. "ZING is a programme designed to

support everyone with healthy eating, physical activity and weight management. There are lots of ideas to get out, helping to improve health and beat isolation. I encourage people of all ages to log on and take part!"

Sue Chant, Zing Somerset programme

manager at Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, said: "We are proud to be taking the lead role for this programme and are keen to build on our existing community links and partnerships. The lifestyle programmes and initiatives on offer are flexible enough to adapt to meet the needs of local communities. Backed up by fully qualified staff that you can trust to provide you with the support and enthusiasm needed to help

you achieve your lifestyle goals.'

Jane Knowles, Interim Partnership Director at Somerset Activity and Sports Partnership (SASP) said: "We are delighted to be delivering the physical activity side of the Zing Somerset contract.

"We are 100 per cent committed to enthusing people of all ages to move more every day! It isn't just about sport and exercise, it can be as simple as playing actively with your children, joining one of our walks programmes or enjoying a coffee morning with a few fun active challenges added (instead of the sugar!).

"This will be the first time that physical activity, weight management and healthy eating have been under one roof, which is a really exciting and enables communities to have a one stop shop for more healthy and active lifestyles."

Kim Robinson, trustee at Somerset Community Food said: "We see this partnership as a chance to share our knowledge and skills doing what we do best, helping groups and individuals learn more about growing, cooking and sharing food. Our Get Set Grow and Get Set Cook short courses have helped hundreds of people across Somerset learn about healthy eating in a practical way that makes sense to them."

Council looking to reward town's outstanding citizens

CHARD Town Council is asking for local residents to nominate people in their community who have made an outstanding contribution to Chard in some way.

Chard's annual parish meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 26th in the Guildhall from 7pm. Members of the public are invited to join us and are welcome to ask questions.

During the meeting, residents of

Chard who have contributed to the town in some outstanding was will be awarded with an Outstanding Service Award by the Mayor, Councillor Dave Bulmer.

The town clerk Zoe Truong said: "The council wants to hear about Chard residents who have unselfishly contributed to their community. These awards are our opportunity to both recognise and thank them for their contribution to Chard."

The Outstanding Service Awards are all about recognising people within the town for the good work they have done helping others – it could be one single act, or it could be over a number of years.

Chard Town Council wants to know more about these unsung heroes that have demonstrated outstanding voluntary service and commitment to others.

If you know of someone who deserves recognition for services to the community please send your nomination in writing to the Town Clerk at the Chard Town Council Offices in the Guildhall, giving the persons details and a short paragraph as to why you feel they deserve this nomination.

All nominations must be received no later than Friday, March 18th.

Last year's recipients of the Outstanding Service Award were Arthur Dunn and John Cane, of Chard Concert Brass, volunteer and disability campaigner Maureen Brown, and photographer Hayley Lynch for her work on a charity calendar in aid of cancer-related charities.

There was also a special posthumous award to Andrew Killeen, of the First Responders medical emergency group, who had died as a result of the injuries he sustained in a car crash in January 2015.

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Passers-by in cars and buses were generally supportive. These well-educated, intelligent health workers were very much aware of their new role as the "front line troops" in defence of our public serv-

I was glad to be one of several members of the public whom they thanked for travelling from around the region to support their picket.

Under the slogan "Not fair and not safe" the junior doctors were thanked in return for taking this united action rather than giving up on the NHS as others are doing. It would be much easier for them to take individual decisions to leave the service or to leave England in droves.

Teachers have been leaving for similar reasons over the past five years.

Those of us needing more health care in our final years over the next decade or two must be very concerned about the growing shortage of trained health staff in England, particularly in Devon, where recruiting and retaining NHS staff is one of our biggest challenges: almost two thirds of our GPs intend to quit within the next five years, and vacancy rates are over 10 per cent among community

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nurses and 12 per cent among North Devon hospital doctors. Levels of staff sickness are high, and

Jeremy Hunt's perverse policy of more public beatings to be applied until morale improves has been intensified by his decision to impose this contract against the advice of these thoughtful and articulate professional health workers who seek only to keep our hospitals safe and for staff to be treated fairly and with respect. They deserve our support.

ROBERT CRICK,

member of Sidmouth Practice Patient Participation Group (personal capacity)

Seaton's Voice must be accountable

■ IT has been brought to my notice that Seaton's Voice have asked the town council for a 25-50 year lease on the Town Hall. It would also appear that they will be supported with £8,000pa for maintenance and they will have the Hall rent free.

The town council had a meeting behind closed doors to come to an agreement on the terms that they will be offering Seaton's Voice.

I would like to make sure that the town council will be transparent with the public on decisions they make concerning tax payers' money. If they are to be granted a long subsidy, it would surely be essential that Seaton's Voice are accountable to the town council on a regular basis, say every three years as the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis is to their town council.

Tax payers need to be alert on decisions that are being made for us, along with answers to many other questions.

HILARY ARNOLD. Seaton

Co-op exodus

■ I WAS prompted to write to you after reading a letter in your paper from Annie Dallaway on the policy of Seaton Co-operative Society regarding car parking.

As a faithful member of the Co-op I have supported them from 1946 when I married. In the days when we received a dividend, I was able to use those sums to buy kitchen goods, bed linen and other household goods to set-up a home.

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Those are the good things that have kept me faithful to the supporting the Co-op until now.

The car parking regulations do not disturb me personally as I have given up my car and resorted to a mobile scooter, among many others in that situation. This is where the difficulty arrives.

There are very few places where I can park my scooter in the dry. I then have to find a £1 coin for a trolley. Putting the coin in the slot in easy but getting it out again is impossible with arthritic fingers and I have to call for help.

For these reasons I am sorry to say I cannot give my full support to the Co-op, and in the future will use the excellent facilities elsewhere. Sorry, Co-op.

> CONNIE WELLINGTON, by email

Messy dog owners

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Election thanks

■ IN the few weeks leading up to the election I personally delivered over 3,000 leaflets and with the help of family and friends another 1,000 to residential properties in Seaton and this also gave me the opportunity to speak to many people to hear their concerns and also their ideas. On the day of the election I spent a long time outside the polling station to enable voters to question me and the feedback I received was how refreshing it was to receive information from me through the letterbox and also have the opportunity to meet me and ask any questions.

I also regret that a by-election was necessary due to the cost involved and that at least 10 requests were made to East Devon District Council to hold a by-election - all I can say is that I was not one of the people who made a request, nor were my family or friends as I would have happily tried to be co-opted onto the Town Council if that option had been available this time.

Thanks once again for the support given to elect me and I will be working hard on your behalf to demonstrate the faith shown in me.

> JACK ROWLAND. Seaton

■ THANK you so very much to the people of Seaton who voted for me and to those who did not, I hope to have your vote next time if an election is requested again!

I congratulate Mr Rowland on his election and hope what he has outlined in his election manifesto can and will be delivered.

From my point of view, I will continue to work and support projects and help with ideas that would benefit and promote Seaton by the Sea.

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ERIC BOWMAN, Seaton





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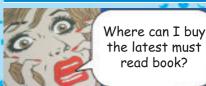
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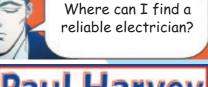
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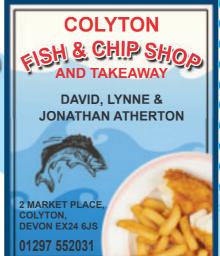
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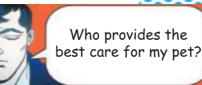


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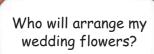
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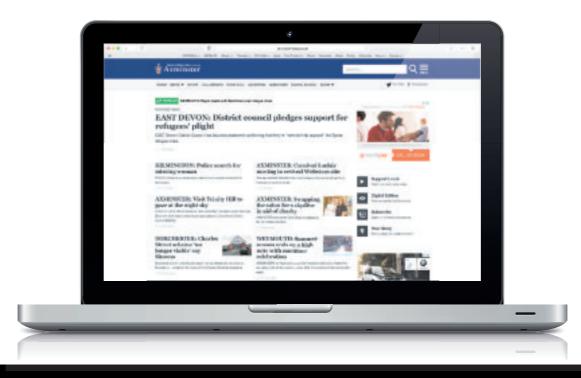
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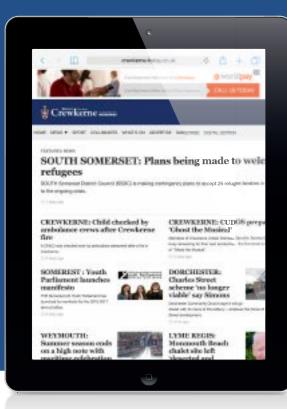
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Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17TH

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com SEATON: Men's Probus Club meeting 10 a.m.

Methodist Church Hall, Scallwell Lane. Talk by Robin Miller entitled 'History & Background of Earth's

OTTERY ST MARY: Short Mat Bowls at the Institute, Yonder Street, 9.45am-12noon. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01404 812124.

TATWORTH: Free Tea & Talk 'Churches with a story', at Brewer Room of Tatworth Memorial Hall, 2pm. Organised by T&F Active Living. For more details call 01460 220339.

SEATON: Beginners Tai Chi and Chi Kung, at Seaton Town Hall, 2-3pm. For more details call 01297 32095 for more details

AXMINSTER: Knit & Sew social every Wednesday at the Lamb Inn, 7.30pm. Just bring your knitting/ sewing/crochet/craft project and come and be with like minded people. (no machines please). Free. **Honiton:** Honiton U3A meeting with speaker Colin Sherwood on 'Bees and Beekeeping'. At the Beehive Centre, Dowell Street. Doors 1.30pm, for 2pm start. Members free, visitors welcome. Suggested donation of £2. For more details call 01404 598008 CREWKERNE: Bingo with cash prizes at Henhayes Centre. Eyes down 2.30pm.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 18TH

MARTOCK: Martock Guardians present a fourth concert by Yeovilton Military Band (aka HMS Heron Volunteer Band), playing marches, classical items and swing, film & show tunes, under the direction of Band Colour Sergeant Iain Scullion RM. The band are touring Germany earlier in the month, but will fit us into their busy schedule. At Martock Parish Church (TA12 6JL), at 7.30pm. Tickets £8 on the door or £7 from 01936 822706 or via email at hckmlewis@talktalk.net

CHARD: Chard Camera Club meeting. 'Fire and Flame will be the subject of the clubs in house digitally projected competition along with the annual 'Presidents Folio' (a set of three prints depicting a theme of the authors choice). The judge for the evening will be Mr Eddy Lane ARPS, DPAGB. Any person wishing to attend as a prospective member would be most welcome to attend on the evening. Further details on the club can be obtained via their website

www.chardcameraclub.org.uk or by phoning Mr Peter Partridge on 01460 66885

CHARD: Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 10.30-12.30pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At Crowshute House, Crowshute Link, Chard, TA20 2EZ. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information, email

laura@halff.org.uk or go to www.halff.org.uk. **Sірмоитн:** Sidmouth Ballroom Dancing Club every Thursday 8-10pm at St Francis Hall. Dancers of all abilities welcome. For more details call 01395 579856. CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - illus-

trated talk by Anne Mosscrop, 'Land's End to John a' Groats with vintage car Gypsy'. 7.30pm. All welcome: £4 including cheese & wine. Further information on 01460 74849

Снагостоск: Beginners Tai Chi and Chi Kung, every Thursday, 10.30am–11.30am, at Chardstock Community Centre. For more details call 01297 32095. SEATON: Seaton Music – Divertimento Oboe Quartet playing classical and light music at 7.30pm at Seaton Town Hall. Tickets - £14, under 18s and full time students free. Tel 01297 625699 or at the door.

Axminster: A complete guide to Home sewing Every Thursday 7pm-9pm at the Old Court Rooms. £15 per session. limited spaces advance booking required. Email thesewingroom@outlook.com for more info.

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. 10am-11am. £2.50 for members, £3.50 for non-

THURSDAY FEB 18TH & FRIDAY FEB 19TH

COLYTON: Heraldic Banners - Open Morning. Come along and meet our 'Guild of Banner Painters', who are busy hand painting colourful banners which will be displayed around Colyton from June for the summer season. Enjoy a cup of coffee and find out how you can sponsor a banner and support the town. 10.30am –12noon, St Johns Hall. All welcome. Organised by Promote Colyton Group. For more info 01297 552626

Yo Ho Ho and a Bottle of Rum

THE CAST of Axmouth Childrens Theatre are hard at work on their new Pantomime 'Treasure Island -ish' which has been written and it is being directed by Malcolm Henty.

Claiming to tell the 'true' story, the audience will be taken on a journey to a far off tropical island with its strange inhabitants. A fun evening of song, dance and laughter is promised.

The cast for this show consists of 16 children with ages ranging from 8 -16 and also boasts a first class back stage crew which also contains several youngsters helping out in important roles.

Malcolm commented "This is the sort of thing we are working towards, it is very much a childrens theatre and we now have youngsters doing the choreography, hair and make up, helping with the lighting, the curtains, playing piano and other backstage roles'

The shows take place in Axmouth Village Hall on Friday 19th and Saturday, February 20th, with both performances at 7pm. Tickets can be purchased from the Box Office 01297 23847. Priced at just £5 for adults and £2.00 for U14s



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CREWKERNE: Sequence dancing at the Victoria Hall from 1.45pm to 4pm. Tea and Biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. More details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866 **Татworтн:** Film: 'Suffragette' (cert 12a). At Tatworth

Memorial Hall. Organised by T&F Movies. Doors 7.15pm for 8pm. For more details call 01460 220198. **HINTON ST GEORGE:** Mike Denham and Pete Allen Jazz at the Village Hall, 7.30pm. Bar available. Tickets £12. Tickets available from Our Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room. For more details call 07500 532543

ASHILL: Ile Valley Flower Club Charity Bingo at Ashill Village Hall. Doors 6.45pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Good prizes. All welcome. **Honiton:** Hospiscare Bingo afternoon at Mackar-

ness Hall, doors 1.15pm, eyes down 2pm. Refresh-

ASHILL: Ashill Charity Meat Bingo at the village hall. Doors 6.45pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Good prizes and happy atmosphere. Plenty of free on site parking. Proceeds go to the following charities: Somerset Blind & Deaf Children, Ferne Animal Sanctuary, SURE, The Children's Hospice South West, Somerset & Dorset Air Ambulance, and Ashill Pre-School Group.

CREWKERNE: Special Lunch at Henhayes Centre. Roast Pork followed by Lemon Ginger Crunch, £7.50 South Perrott: Family Bingo in South Perrott Village Hall. Doors open 6pm for eyes down 6.30pm. For more details call 01935 891224.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20TH

SIDMOUTH: 'February Romance Ball' Weekend Dancing with Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. Evening wear preferred. At Chard Guildhall, 8-11pm. Free parking after 6pm in Council car park (Not Lidls) Pay on the door, £6. CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall – Burton

Bradstock Players will present 'Good Deeds, Deadly Deeds', a murder mystery by Karen Ince. 7.30pm. Tickets £9, including a light 2 course supper, should be booked in advance please on 01460 75313. There will also be a licensed bar & a raffle. **S**IDMOUTH: Sidmouth Town Band & The Exmouth Shanty Men double bill concert at 7.45 pm at Manor Pavilion Theatre, Sidmouth EX10 8RP. A very entertaining evening with popular, traditional and classical music performed by the superb Sidmouth Town Band, plus harmonious unaccompanied singing by The Exmouth Shanty Men. Tickets £10 from Theatre Box Office (01395 514413) open 10am – 2pm, Monday to Saturday. This concert is presented by Sidmouth Lions Club primarily in aid of Headway Devon, a charity dedicated to improving life after brain injuries.

WHITELACKINGTON: Table Top Sale at Whitelackington Village Hall, 10am–1pm. Entry is free. Stalls selling new and used goods. Refreshments are available. All proceeds to the hall restoration/extension fund.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21ST

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UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Birdwatching Cruise on the River Exe. Leaving Uplyme Village Hall at 10.30am in shared cars to drive to Exmouth for the cruise, which leaves at 12.15 and should take around three hours. An expert local birdwatcher will be at the microphone, food and drinks are available on the boat and binoculars will be available to borrow if you do not have your own. Cost is £14pp (£3 extra for non-members) and bookings should be made as soon as possible with Robin Britton on 01297 442794 - we will need to fix numbers by the end of January

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Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's publication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings - weekly listings without dates may not be published.

Comedy. Cabaret. Chaos. Mamma Mia – it's Abba Gold!

is back in Sidmouth for one night only. The family friendly comedy cabaret returns to the Manor Pavilion Theatre on Friday, March 4th and is stuffed full with amazing acts.

As always this will be a brand new show with a 10 strong cast including international guest acts alongside Slightly Fat Features the group who create the shows and come direct from a second run in the West End.

Organiser and host - Sidmouth based Goronwy Thom - says: "I am really pleased to bring another night of

Hula Hoopist Abi Collins

ety to the town, the guest acts are sensational - some of my favourites and our gang have a load of new madness up our sleeves too, we will have just finished playing in London at Leicester Theatre Square and will be show-

ing off our latest skills, gimmicks and

madness'

The award winning troupe will be joined on stage by the hilarious Hula Hoopist extraordinaire Abi Collins, the very silly and very brilliant violin virtuoso Sid Bowfin, physical comedian Nakupelle from the USA who has just finished touring with Take That for the 3rd time as part of their stadium tour and (as seen in one of the first ever Variety by the Sea shows in 2007) the World



Record holding Rod Laver who has to be seen to be believed - you will not believe what he can do with a simple ping pong ball!

Goronwy points out: "The great thing about this type of show and why I love doing them, is that there really is something for all ages and tastes. I guarantee everyone will laugh... a lot... and if something doesn't quite tickle your fancy - then there will be another action in 4

Tickets as always are selling fast and are available at the box office on 01395 514413, and if it sells out before you get a ticket or you cant go there is another brand new show at The Manor Pavilion with brand new acts in Variety by the Sea on May

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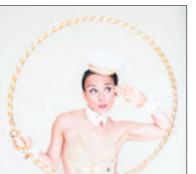
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Abba Gold perfrom at the Picnic in the Park at The Squirrel Inn, Laymore, near Winsham, on Saturday, July 30th, from 7.30pm.

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Young at Art – Schools Go Visual

A COLOURFUL showcase of art by local schoolchildren is taking centre stage at Ilminster Arts Centre this month. "Schools Go Visual" is the fifth exhibition of its kind at the Arts Centre, and is an exciting opportunity for visitors to see the high standard of art being made in local schools.

For this exhibition pupils from Chard School, Greenfylde School, Neroche Primary School, Swanmead School and Wadham School will be submitting artworks in a range of subject matter, styles, and media. The exhibition offers the schoolchildren the valuable experience of displaying their work in a professional gallery environment, and the rigours of submitting their work for public scrutiny. And, who knows, the experience may set some of these young creatives on course for a career in the arts?

Always popular with visitors, the exhibition coincides with half-term, so family and friends can come along and admire the creative talent being nurtured in our schools. With its well-stocked craft shop, second-hand books sale and bustling café, Ilminster Arts Centre is the perfect destination for a multi-generational day out. The café in particular is popular with all ages from 0-80+ and offers a delicious range of light lunches, teas, coffees, and cakes as well as children's meals.

The Schools Go Visual V exhibition is open now, and runs until Saturday, February 27th, open Monday to Friday, 9.30am-4.30pm, and Saturday 9.30am-2.30pm. Admission is free.

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MONDAY FEBRUARY 22ND

Axminster: Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

Misterton: Bingo at Misterton Village Hall, doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

Musbury: Dr Don Archer will be talking about William Morris, covering his gardens and his plants at the meeting of the Musbury Garden Club. Tea/coffee and refreshments served from 7pm at the village hall in Musbury. All welcome. £2.50 for non-members."

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 23RD

MERRIOTT: Talk on 'Square Metre Gardening' – making the most of a small space garden by Claire Hart. Meet at the Tithe Barn at 7.30 pm, refreshments available and raffle. Seeds, plants, book and magazine sale. Everyone very welcome. Non members £2.

Sidmouth: All Saints Tea Dance for Childrens Hospice SouthWest, 2.30pm. Every fourth Tuesday of the month. 01395 577122

Honiton: Hospiscare Bargain Sale at Mackarness Hallm, 9am–12noon. Homemade refreshments served.

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CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £1 per session. For people 70/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged, and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take—away meals are available.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 24TH

Axminster: Coffee Afternoon and Cooking Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families) 2.30-4pm. At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@halff.org.uk

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UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society meeting at Uplyme Village Hall, 7.30pm. Talk by Becky Groves of Little Groves Nursery in Beaminster, about 'Herbs and Aromatic Plants'. We can all boost the sensory impact of our gardens, and Becky will tell us how. Plants are likely to be on sale, tea and biscuits before and afterwards. members free, visitors £3.

SEATON: Beginners Tai Chi and Chi Kung, at Seaton Town Hall, 2–3pm. For more details call 01297

Hear the crackle at Vinyl Saturday

Nationally-renowned Record and CD fair returns to Bridport this Saturday

CLOCKTOWER Music in Bridport's Art & Vintage Quarter, organisers of Bridport's nationally-famous 'Vinyl Saturday', are looking forward to their first event of 2016 on Saturday, February 20th.

The quarterly Record, CD & Music event, which features a Record and CD Fair plus the opportunity for the town's shops and Saturday market stalls to take part by offering records and music items for sale on the day, attracts many visitors from around the UK and Europe to Bridport.

Bridport's Vinyl Saturday is historically viewed as one of the kick-starters of the revival in vinyl records in 2008, along with the introduction in the UK of Record Store Day and followed in 2009 by the book Last Shop Standing, which also became a film.

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Initially Vinyl Saturday's aim was to create interest in records again and to encourage as many outlets as possible in the town to offer vinyl records for sale. In 2007, when the event was originally conceived, vinyl records were considered a dying medium for playing music.

However, one of the owners of Clocktower Music thought differently, recognising that there was an opportunity for Bridport to attract visitors by promoting the advantages and joys of owning and playing vinyl records. This has worked very well for Bridport and in this small town there are now around 15 places to search for records all year round – plus Saturday's market days see even more opportunity. The resurgence of records in recent years has made Bridport one of the vinyl hotspots for buyers outside of major cities. The event's importance was recognised early on by being voted Record Fair of the Year across Europe by Record Collector magazine

The next event is on Saturday, February 20th, 10am to 4pm, admission £1 (or free with the adjacent advert), at the United Church, East St, Bridport, Dorset DT6 3LJ.



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Miranda Sykes and Rex Preston tour The Watchmaker's Wife

THE BRAND new album from Miranda Sykes and Rex Preston – The Watchmaker's Wife (released on February 19th 2016) - although not a parable of their personal lives, is most certainly a reflective, powerful and moving collection of tales of love and loss; some traditional

and delivered in a way that maintains the dignity of the old songs; some original and with very modern arrangements; some are covers; all with a vibrant, immediate and edgy feel. The pair didn't set out to create an album with love and loss as a theme, but in the thick of it all, when they just sat back and let out what came naturally, that's what they got.

Rex for the first time showcases original songs alongside original material from Boo Hewerdine. Miranda and Rex are as dazzling as ever on their respecinstruments double mandolin/bouzouki. The duo has kept things as honest as they dare to reflect their live performances. There are no guests; no four-part harmonies; no grand multitracked opuses; no bells and definitely no whistles. The songs shout very loudly for themselves with only smattering of sharp and contemporary production gloss

Well known for the last 11 years as a central component of Show of Hands, Miranda has an exquisite and spine-tingling voice, whilst Rex, with his exuberant and



flamboyant playing style, has built a reputation as one of the finest mandolin players in the UK.

Miranda Sykes and Rex Preston play at Ley Arms, Kenn, near Exeter on Friday, February 19th. For more details call 01392 210983

An introduction to the erhu at Honiton Festival Concert

HONITON Festival Concerts third lunchtime recital of the 2015/16 Winter Series, taking place this Friday, February 19th, features Wen Wen, on violin and erhu (Chinese 2 string violin), and Mina Beldimanescu, piano.

The duo will be playing Sonatas by Elgar and Poulenc, From my Homeland by Smetana and on Erhu A Fine Evening by Tianhua.

Certainly a recital with a difference and an introduction to the Erhu. Wen Wen likes to foster understanding of Chinese music within a Western environment. The recital commences at 1pm at St Paul's Church and a light lunch is available

from noon in the Narthex. Note that tickets (£11) are available only at the door. For further details of this and future events, see www.thehonitonfestival.co.uk





and Mina Beldimanescu (above right)

Double bill of popular local groups

VERY popular musical groups are making a welcome return to the Manor Pavilion Theatre, Sidmouth this Saturday, February 20th. This double bill promises a great evening of popular, traditional and classical music performed by Sidmouth's award winning Town Band plus the superb unaccompanied, harmonious sea shanties of The Exmouth Shanty Men.

Tickets are £10 from Theatre Box Office (01395 514413) open 10am -2pm, Monday to Saturday. This concert, which starts at 7.45pm, is presented by Sidmouth Lions Club, primarily in aid of Headway Devon. a charity dedicated to improving

quality of life after brain injuries.

For those who haven't heard The Exmouth Shanty Men perform, they are an a cappella 'crew' who splice together hard-bitten, hard-sung work shanties with gentle forebitters & heartbreaking laments delivered with pathos. Committed to keeping alive their home town and their nation's rich maritime heritage, they dress in period costume and put their songs back on to the decks of the tall ships or into the dockside taverns where they rightfully belong.

Since their first performance in 2007 they have played at many of the UK's folk festivals, including several times at Sidmouth Folk

for the 'most authentic shanties' at the highly respected Krakow International Shanty Festival in Poland. For more information visit website: exmouthshantymen.com

Sidmouth Town Band regularly competes in local South West Brass Band Association (SWBBA) competitions and at the Exmouth Brass Band Entertainment Festival last September, the band was awarded second place overall. In November the band did well in the SWBBA's Annual Championships in Torquay, not only winning the cup for the best Second Section in the competition but being placed 7th overall. The band is currently working towards its next competition in March 2016,

TRIAL BY JURY

Seaton Choral Society's Gilbert & Sullivan Cream Tea

concert performance of Gilbert & Sullivan's Trial by Jury, along with some other excerpts from the operas, on Sunday, February, 21st at The Gatehouse, Seaton, starting at 3.30pm (doors open at 3.00pm). The audience are invited to sit at tables and will be served a cream tea by members of the society in the interval. Tickets cost £7, from The Gatehouse Box Office, 01297 625699 Trial by Jury is one of the zaniest of Gilbert and Sullivan's satirical flights of

MEMBERS and friends of Seaton Choral Society, led by Leslie Baker, will give a

fancy, with a plot that is about as daft they get. The scene is a courtroom and the 'Trial' is for 'Breach of Promise of Marriage'. Angelina is the devious and money grubbing Plaintiff while Edwin, the Defendant, though guilty as charged, turns out to be the only honest character; he speaks his mind and has the best tunes.

Before any evidence has been heard, the Usher sternly lectures the jury members against 'bias' of every kind, and then stirs them up to sympathise with the Plaintiff and condemn the Defendant. The Judge enters to respectful music but turns out to be verbose and amorous; he wants to tell everyone his life story before getting down to business. The moment Angelina appears he is besotted with her, and the Jury agree with him. Counsel for the Plaintiff (also visibly moved) makes a meal of how deeply wronged she is and how dastardly are the morals of the Defendant. The Defendant then gallantly tries to be helpful: "I'll marry this lady today and I'll marry the other tomorrow." This is politely turned down as being against the law (Burglary!) The Plaintiff passionately renews her vows of undying love, at which the Defendant threatens to get drunk and beat her up. The Judge says, very well, let's make him tipsy and see what happens. All hell breaks loose as everyone (except the Defendant) objects to this sensible solution.

This endearingly absurd story is swept along on Sullivan's music, which gleefully points up the bogus emotions with all their humbug and pomposity, while contriv ing a sly wink at Handel along the way.

Leslie Baker is much admired as a tenor and choral conductor throughout the West Country. With his wife Kate Baker, pianist Michèle Banting, and other friends he has devised and directed this performance. Enhanced by a cream tea in the warmth of The Gateway, Trial by Jury promises to be an excellent antidote (the fourth in the series) to February Blues.



Earth-shattering anthems from the titans of rock!

THE second event for 2016 at Winstons Bar & Grill in Seaton will be on Saturday, February 20th - the one and only 'Hellrazor'. For the uninitiated these are the Hells Bells boys as their alter ego playing the best in classic rock from Purple, Zeppelin and Sabbath to the current era with the likes of Queen of the Stone Age, Guns and Roses, Alterbridge and Metallica among many others.

Lead singer Lee explained: "due to the AC/DC commitments we have little chance to do this, probably four or five times a year, but we had such a blast last year at Winstons we decided this was one of the few venues that we were going to put this show on"

Expect nothing more than an explosive show and with tickets selling fast this looks like being another sell out!

Tickets are £10 in advance, £13 on the night and are available from Winstons, Beer Village Stores and Axe

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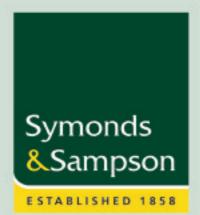
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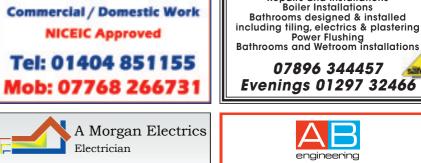
















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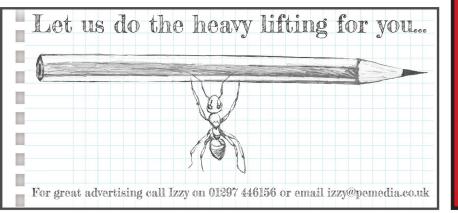
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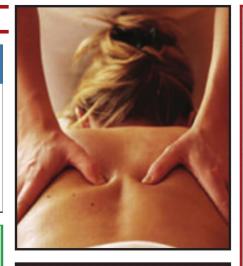
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VOLKSWAGEN is bringing more than a dash of sports style to the MPV class with the announcement of the new Touran R-Line.

The brand's latest award-winning seven-seater - most recently named 'Best MPV' by respected automotive publishing brand What Car? - is now available to order in stylish R-Line guise for the first time.

The R-Line trim level is Volkswagen's most overtly sporty mainstream equipment grade and provides a raft of exterior and interior styling enhancements, all carefully calculated to dial up kerb appeal, cabin style and on-road attitude.

The range-topping new Touran R-Line is available with a selection of potent yet frugal tur-bocharged petrol or diesel engines ranging in capacity from 1.4-litre TSI to 2.0-litre TDI, and with outputs of between 150 PS and 190 PS. These are mated to a similarly broad selection of transmissions which, depending on engine choice, comprise either six-speed manual or six- or seven-speed DSG.

Line models also feature a selection of Volkswagen's BlueMotion technologies such as Start/Stop. brake energy recuperation and low rolling resistance tyres, meaning economy is maximised. Combined fuel consumption* ranges from 49.6 mpg for the 1.4litre TSI 150 PS six-speed manual, to 62.8 mpg for the 2.0-litre TDI 150 PS six-speed manual. Outstanding R-Line is styled to

stand out

Instantly recognisable outside, the new Touran R-Line benefits from a selection of exterior design enhancements including unique front and rear bumpers, radiator grille, and side skirts; plus chrome mouldings for the rear bumper, and 18-inch 'Marseille' alloy wheels. Unique R-Line badging completes the external additions.

Inside, the sporty new Touran adds 'Black Lead Grey' decorative inserts in the dash, centre console and front doors; a black roof lining and grey stitching on the leather-trimmed three-spoke multifunction steering wheel, which also includes aluminium inserts and R-Line logo.

The seating, meanwhile, includes contrasting microfibre side bolsters and front seats with R-Line logo on the rear backrests. Completing the stylish upgrades are stainless steel pedals, and unique R-Line sill protectors. Practicality that's highly-praised

Praising the new Touran in its recent awards issue, What Car? said: "This new Volkswagen is great to drive, classy-feeling inside and has better safety credentials than most of its rivals."

The judges added: "There are cheaper and bigger MPVs, but none that so brilliantly balances

families. Crucially, Volkswagen's latest seven-seater is more practical than all of its similarly priced rivals."

Now, with the addition of this stylish new range-topping trim level, the Touran offers this renowned practicality in its most eye-catching form.

The new Touran R-Line is available to order from Volkswagen Retailers now, with prices starting at £27,740 RRP for the Touran R-Line 1.4-litre TSI six-speed manual.



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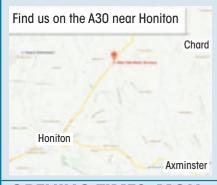
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Announcing the Ampera-e today at the CAR Symposium in Bochum, Germany, GM Chairman & CEO Mary Barra said: "GM and Opel have always been convinced that electric cars will play a defining role in future mobility. The game-changing technology of the Ampera-e is a significant step toward realizing that vision. Our new battery electric car is also another boost for Opel's reputation for making innovative engineering widely accessible.

Trends like urbanization and protecting the environment also call for new kinds of mobility and alternative propulsion systems. "Elec-

tric vehicles have the potential to make a significant contribution to climate protection and emissions reduction", says Opel group CEO Dr. Karl-Thomas Neumann. "The new Ampera-e will open the road to electric mobility by breaking down the barriers of high price and short driving range.

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Safety should be "standard" on The new BMW M760Li xDrive V12 all new cars launched in 2016

SAFETY experts at Thatcham Research have welcomed the calls from leading automotive consumer magazine 'What Car?' in supporting the availability of important, low cost, safety technology like Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB) across all cars. Currently only 17% of cars available to buy in the UK have standard fit AEB.

The simplest form of AEB sensor, enabling a Lidar based system that is found on the likes of the Volvo V 40 and Mazda 3, could cost manufacturers as little as £40. More advanced radar and camera based autobraking systems, which provide additional functionality including the ability to avoid pedestrians and other vulnerable road users, have unit costs which are still likely to be under £200.

Thatcham Research applaud car manufacturer's fast progress in developing crash avoidance technology, and point out that 41% of cars on sale in 2015 had AEB available. However, only 17% of cars available have it fitted as a standard feature. And of the remaining 24%, less than 2% were specified with AEB as an "extra" by motorists.

A recent survey conducted by Thatcham Research and Direct Line Insurance Group*, revealed that 82% of drivers think car safety features like AEB should be fitted as standard and available for free. Not as an "extra". The effectiveness of AEB has already been recognised by insurers, with the standard fit system typically attracting a benefit of 3–5 insurance groups, equating to a reduction in premium of around 10%

Thatcham's Director of Research, Matthew Avery said: "There is no longer any excuse for car makers to launch new cars without AEB as standard across the board, and along with dealerships, to promote and explain AEB more effectively to consumers.

"Not only will this reduce insurance premiums, but give peace of mind for motorists by significantly reducing crashes and associated injuries.



▲ A Volvo V40 is put through a standard AEB test

THE recently launched BMW 7 Series now has a prestigious flagship at the head of the range: the new M760Li xDrive V12 marks the debut of a very special V12 engine to provide stunning performance with exemplary refinement.

With TwinPower Turbo technology incorporated for the first time, this new M Performance engine produces 600hp and 800Nm of torque. It's harnessed by a highly sophisticated chassis specifically tailored to the model, and deployed to the road via BMW's xDrive all-wheel-drive system with a rear-bias for more dynamic handling.

The new model is instantly recognisable thanks to the M Performance body enhancements, specific trim details and unique 20-inch alloy wheels. An active quad exit exhaust system ensures that, when desired, the presence of the new M760Li xDrive V12 can be heard as well as seen.

Inside, the M760Li xDrive V12 retains the luxurious ambience of the new BMW 7 Series, but adds sporting elements such as the M Performance steering wheel and illuminated V12 logo and exclusive M pedals. Naturally, the specification of the car is extremely high, with a long list of comfort, convenience, safety and dynamic driving features.

Powertrain: The allure of a V12

The 12-cylinder engine layout traditionally enjoys an exclusive status above all others, and in the new M760Li xDrive V12 provides a superb blend of performance and refinement. The 6,592cc M Performance TwinPower Turbo 12cylinder engine develops an output of 600hp at 5,500rpm and generates its peak torque of 800Nm from as low down as 1,500rpm. This enables the car to accelerate from zero to 62mph in just 3.9 seconds and on to a governed top speed of 155mph. It now also links up with the Auto Start-Stop function, which is just one measure that contributes to an impressive official combined fuel consumption figure of 22.4mpg and CO2 emissions of 294g/km.

For the construction of the all-aluminium block, BMW engineers focused on maximising rigidity while also minimising weight. Using a closed-deck structure, combined with bolts holding the cylinder head down on the floor plate of the crankcase, has ensured the stability of the cylinder liners. Double bolts on the main bearings, with an additional connection to the side panels through threaded support bushes and bolts, reduce the influence of lateral forces from the crankdrive on the crankcase. Further components that serve to reduce vibrations and noise to an absolute minimum iron-coated are pistons; forged connecting rods assembled using the cracking process, and likewise, a forged crankshaft.

Two key features have elevated the performance and efficiency of the new V12 onto an even higher level: M Performance TwinPower Turbo technology and High Preci-





▲ BMW M760Li xDrive

sion Injection. Together they enable sharp responses to even the slightest movement of the accelerator, a linear torque curve and exceptionally low fuel consumption and CO2 emissions for a car in this performance class.

Under an engine cover bearing "M Performance" lettering are two mono-scroll turbochargers, located - thanks to the small 60degree cylinder angle - in a compact arrangement on the outside of the two rows of cylinders. Each turbocharger supplies six cylinders with compressed air. Their positioning allows for short, straight and therefore flow-efficient pipe connections between the exhaust system and the turbochargers. A sophisticated indirect intercooler, minimising the overall volume of air required and reducing lag, cools the air from each turbocharger. An additional water pump feeds the separate coolant circuit required for this purpose, whose air-to-water heat exchangers are positioned directly on the intake manifold.

The engine's catalytic converters are equipped with advanced exhaust gas sensors and quickly reach their optimum operating temperature thanks to their positioning close to the engine, assisting the M760Li xDrive V12 in meeting the EU6c exhaust standard. In order to reduce backpressure, the M sports exhaust system features mostly straight pipes of the largest possible diameter. The evolution of the rear silencers and flap activation system allows everything from maximum refinement to a full-bodied 12cylinder soundtrack.

The adoption of high precision fuel injection optimises the combustion process. Injectors positioned centrally in the cylinder head measure out the fuel precisely and spray it into the combustion chambers in finely atomised form and at up to 200bar of pressure. The mixture cooling brought about by the directly injected fuel also allows a higher compression ratio than that achieved by a turbocharged engine with manifold injection.

The M Performance 12-cylinder engine also features, in customary BMW fashion, Double-VANOS continuously variable camshaft timing. This allows the engine to run under part loads with a high level of residual gas and reduced throttle losses, maximising fuel efficiency. Double-VANOS also contributes to the engine's rapid responses.

Another optimisation with the new engine is the oil supply system. Its volume flow-controlled pump operates only when required and is therefore extremely efficient.

An eight-speed Steptronic Sport transmission is fitted as standard in the new M760Li xDrive V12. M Performance-specific tuning of the shift programs delivers sportier gear changes and more instantaneous downshifts throughout the rev range, Launch Control function is also included. The transmission can also be operated via the gearshift paddles on the steering wheel: in manual mode the transmission holds the selected gear even when the engine hits the rev limiter. At the same time, its compact construction, low weight, optimised efficiency and flawless interaction with the Auto Start-Stop function allows it to play a significant role in reducing fuel consumptions and emissions.





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The new SEAT Ateca – style, dynamics and utility for the urban adventure

TONIGHT, SEAT unveiled its first SUV in Barcelona. The new Ateca is a unique combination of distinctive design, dynamic driving fun, urban versatility and compelling utility. First-class connectivity, innovative assistance systems and highly efficient engines are among its technology highlights ensuring Ateca will be one of the most innovative SUVs in the segment. Outstanding quality, precision production and attractive value-for-money combine to make it a true SEAT. Key to its appeal however, is its agile and precise handling – the Ateca makes every day and every mile that little bit more rewarding

"The SEAT Ateca is perfect for an urban lifestyle. It possesses stunning design and dynamics, and boasts compelling quality and utility. But above all, the Ateca exudes unmistakable character," Luca de Meo, President of SEAT, S.A. "Our first SUV marks the start of a new era for SEAT. The Ateca is a clear development of the Leon DNA and will drive forward the success of the range. SEAT is a brand on the move.'

At UK launch this September, Ateca will be available in a wide range of variants. The choice of powerful turbocharged TSI petrol and TDI diesel engines spans from 115 PS to 190 PS, with either frontwheel or all-wheel-drive, mated to manual or dual-clutch DSG transmissions. The extensive array of technology options extends from full-LED headlights through a broad portfolio of assistance systems, including some of the very latest Group technology, such as Traffic Jam Assist and Emergency Assist, right through to a package of high-end infotainment systems with eight-inch touchscreens and Full Link connectivity. Three trim levels will offer colours and topquality materials to suit every taste, with the top-of-the-range being the Ateca XCELLENCE.

"We have put together an amazing package of technologies and innovations for the

delivering more safety and utility but, above all, the most dynamic driving experience possible. We will set a whole new standard within the segment with its light-footed, says Dr. precise handling," Matthias Rabe, Vice President of SEAT, S.A. responsible for Research and Development. "It is incredibly fun to drive. And we have combined this driving experience with compelling utility, making the Ateca a hugely versatile companion for an active urban life.'

In keeping with SEAT tradition, the Ateca derives its name from Spanish geography, this time taking inspiration from the village of the same name which lies in the west of Zaragoza, right in the heart of the brand's homeland.

Design – 100 per cent SEAT and yet 100 per cent SUV

The Ateca's design is utterly unmistakable. As an SUV, too, the typical SEAT design language is a striking combination of dynamism and functionality. Many elements, like the trapezoidal grille, the side

blisters with their sharp creases and the triangular light signatures, are typical of sister models such as the Leon. Yet every single detail has been carefully developed to the next level for the Ateca.

The front end of the Ateca is 100 per cent SEAT and yet 100 per cent SUV. The large, high grille brims with confidence, while the sharply defined lights and substantial air intakes leave no doubt as to the Ateca's dynamic credentials. At the same time. it maintains a muscular stance that exudes solidity and reliability.

Potential UK buyers for Ateca can register their interest online from 11 February 2016, ahead of showroom launch in September. More information on SEAT's latest model is available from www.seat.co.uk/new-cars/newateca/overview.html, on Facebook/SEATUK, on @SEAT cars_UK, or, by calling 0500 222 222.



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Sport – the local football scene



Brown triple sees Thorns blunted on 3G

Big night ahead for Chard Town - Pethy warm up for County cup in convincing style

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TOOLSTATION LEAGUE

DIVISION ONECHARD Town, now down in third place but with games in-hand after Ashton & Backwell's 2-0 win over Kevnsham Town, are due to entertain Warminster Town tomorrow night (Wednesday, 7.30pm ko) and Chippenham Town on Saturday (3pm).

Three points at Zembard Lane tomorrow would take Adam Fricker's team back to joint top-spot.

SOUTH-WEST PENINSULA LEAGUE -DIVISION ONE (E)

SIDMOUTH Town are due to welcome Crediton United to Manstone Road next Saturday (3pm) while Axminster Town, now down in sixth after Galmpton's 5– 2 win over Exwick Villa, return to action with a trip to Galmpton United (3pm).

SOMERSET LEAGUE (D1W)

ALL of the Somerset league Division One (West) games were once again washed out.

Frustratingly, COMBE ST NICHOLAS have no scheduled fixture next Saturday. ILMINSTER Town, currently lying in ninth spot head off to take on eightplaced Winscombe (2.30pm ko).

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

BOTH of the Chard Town and Ilminster Town Reserve teams had their games postponed.

INCOMING: Sochon

man Jamie Brown and Alex Perriera as Thorn's

Parsley (8) looks on.

The Robins' second string entertain Beer Albion in the Premier Division on Saturday (3pm).

Next up for Ilminster down in Division Six is Saturday's visit by Exwick Village

PERRY STREET LEAGUE

with Howard Larcombe

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THORNCOMBE RESERVES 0 **CHARD UNITED RESERVES 4**

A JAMIE BROWN hat-trick was the highlight of this Division Two clash played out on the impressive 3G pitch

Thorncombe came into the game short on numbers and with a patched up side with the club's first team also in action at Wadham School.

And when Dan Harvey crossed for Brown to give Chard the lead in the fifth minute the writing was on the wall.

Brown went close soon after with a 20-yarder only to be denied by a fine parry by Thorn's keeper Andrew So-

At the other end Gary Parsley, now back as the team's player-manager having relinquished the first team manager's role, picked out Kuda Tobiawa who drilled a low shot just wide. But the fell 2–0 down midway

through the half when the lofty Brown got on the end of another right wing cross and stooped to score with a low

But the best was yet to come. In the

33rd minute a slick team move was rounded off in style when Brown showed good composure to slot the ball across Sochon and into the far corner from 15 vards.

He should have had a fourth soon after but mis-kicked when well placed in front of a gaping net.

The scoring was completed four minutes into the second half when Harvey, who vied with Brown as Man-of-the-Match. swivelled well and fired home a crisp left footer on the half-turn. Lee Hutchings, normally a goal-

keeper, but pressed into service up front for Thorncombe, dragged a chance wide on the hour but the bulk of the second-half chances went to But a combination of poor finishing.

combined with some dogged defending and good keeping from Sochon, meant there was no addition to the score.

The three points leave Chard in eighth spot in the Division two table while Thorncombe, having lost 12 league games on the trot, remain seven points adrift at the foot of the table.

JACK VENN CUP OF WINSHAM UTD RESERVES 0

SOUTH PETHERTON RESERVES 4
THE South Petherton second-string had few problems booking a place in the semi-finals as they cruised past 'hosts Winsham Utd Reserves on the Bucklers Mead 3G pitch in Yeovil.

Jimmy Rees' 22nd goal of the season had Pethy deservedly with their noses in front at the interval.

Gordy Childs' side went up through the gears after the break and a double from Dan Kadir made the game safe before Tim John rounded things off with the fourth.

Childs was pleased with his team's performance: "We played really well and dominated for large periods using the full width of the pitch

Childs felt his midfield trio of Jack White, Mark Nelms and Kameron Andrews held the key to the victory.

Pethy are now clear favourites to lift

the 55-year-old trophy for the first time in their history.

Revised semi-final draw; Chard

Rangers or Merriott Dynamos v Kings-bury Episcopi or Shepton Beauchamp Res, Farway Utd or Merriott Dynamos v South Petherton Res.

DIVISION ONE

CREWKERNE RANGERS 2 THORNCOMBE 2 THE BOTTOM of the table clash at Wadham School ended honours even and the were points shared.

The hosts thought they had taken the lead early on when player-manager Scott Isaacs found the net only to have his effort ruled out for offside. Steve Bryant also went close with a

shot that came back off the woodwork but the first half ended goal less. Rangers took control after the turn-

around and appeared on course for a welcome three point haul when Bryant and Isaacs made it 2-0 with 25 minutes remaining.
But the Thorns, who also had a goal

rules out, had other ideas. Craig Tovey halved the deficit with a deflected shot before Joe Himmer equaliser Isaacs felt his side had thrown away

two points: "It feels like a loss. We were comfortable for 70 minutes but 2-0 doesn't mean a lot at this level and once they got one back the pressure was

MERRIOTT ROVERS 1 FARWAY UTD 4

THE notoriously sodden Eastlee Park Grond has meant Farway United have lead a nomadic existence playing only away matches since the beginning of



◆ GOOD STOP: Thorncombe Reserves' keeper Andrew Sochon does well to block a shot from Chard United Reserves' striker Ben Photos by HOWARD LARCOMBE

October.

But the improving Devonians have built up a head of steam in Division Two since mid December, and have now won four on the spin to move up in to top six with a return to Division One a real possibility.

After an even tussle with hosts Merriott, a late double from Tom Olive clinched the win and completed a first ever senior hat-trick for the youngster.

Earlier, strikes from Olive and topscorer Jack Murral had give Farway a 2– 1 lead with Rob Stubbins replying for

The result brings an end to Merriott's 13-game unbeaten home league record which stretched back 18 months since they re-entered the league

DIVISION THREE HALSTOCK 1 PERRY STREET RESERVES 2

A LATE strike from Rory Gillard kept Perry Street Reserves firmly in contention for the Division Three title as hosts Halstcock tasted defeat in the league for the first time since their reformation in the summer.

All looked good for Halstock when top-scorer Mark Whitmarsh pounced on a rebound to open the scoring in the fourth minute.

But the Mothers were level soon afterwards when Joe Allen fired in from just outside the box following a corner.

The remainder of the match continued in entertaining end-to-end fashion with Street stand-in keeper Owen Richardson pulling off one tremendous

But with time running out Gillard converted after a goalmouth scramble to bank all three points and close the gap on leaders Dowlish & Donyatt. Street manager Rich Rowson picked

out defender Matt Hill as his top performer, while watching first team manager Andy Bond was impressed by striker Kev Rowson who 'rolled back the years'.

Tomorrow (Wednesday) Chard Town v Warminster Town (7.30pm)

Saturday February 20th SOMERSET INTERMEDIATE CUP QF South Petherton Res v Tunley Athletic (1.45pm) CHALLENGE CUP QF (2pm) Beaminster v West & Middle Chinnock DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP (2pm) Misterton v Hawkchurch Utd KEN HODGES CUP (2pm) Kingsbury Episcopi v Drimpton Netherbury Reserves v Crewkerne Rangers

TOMMY TABBERER CUP (2pm)

Thorncombe Reserves v Merriott Rovers JOHN FOWLER CUP (2pm) Drimpton Reserves v Ilminster Town A Halstock v Dowlish & Donvatt BILL BAILEY CUP (2pm) Chard Rangers Reserves v Uplyme Reserves Chard Utd All Stars v Perry Street Reserves

PREMIER (2.30pm)

Combe Res v Shepton Beauchamp Forton Rangers v Chard Utd Lyme Regis Bantams v Barrington Perry Street v Netherbury Winsham Utd v South Petherton

DIVISION ONE (2.30pm)

Barrington Res v Beaminster Reserves Ilminster Town Colts v Pymore Uplyme v Thorncombe Waytown Hounds v Combe St Nicholas A

DIVÍSION TWO (2.30pm)

Chard Utd Reserves v Winsham Utd Reserves Combe St Nicholas B v Merriott Dynamos Hinton St George v Farway Utd Shepton Beauchamp v Res v Chard Rangers DIVISION THREE (2.30pm)

Charmouth v Farway Utd Reserves Crewkerne Rangers Reserves v Fivehead

Top Scorers 26 – Gavin Herrod (Hawkchurch).

23 – Scott Jennings (Misterton) 22 – Jimmy Rees (South Petherton Res)

21 - Jamie Underwood (South Petherton)

20 - Dan Collins (Perry Street) 19 - Andy Whitefield (Barrington)

17 - Josh Chadwick (Perry Street)

17 - George Hayward (Dowlish & Donyatt) 16 - Dan Rendell (Charmouth)

15 - Josh Hunter (Beaminster)

15 – Dan Kadir (South Petherton Reserves)

15 - Tim John (South Petherton Reserves)

14 - Adam Payne (Dowlish & Donyatt)

14 – Ben Smith (Winsham Utd Reserves)

Buzzards fly into final AVISHAYES Buzzards U12s, steered by

manager Kev Barratt, booked their place in the High Holborne Shield Cup Final to be played on Yeovil Town FCs main pitch at the beginning of May.

The team showed great spirit in coming back from 2–0 down to make it 2–2

With end-to-end the players reached full time all square at 3–3. The match then went to extra time

but Avishayes came out on top to win

Ingham, Matthew Green, Charlie Far-thing-Painter, Alex Barratt, Oliver Lees, Matthew Hopkins, Finley Harris, Joshua Westwood, Morgan Glazier, Ethan

Avishayes team (scorers); Bradley Putt (3), Spencer White (2), Matthew

hockey chard

10-man Chard

CHARD'S player resources were stretched to the limit last weekend which meant the 2nd XI travelled to Sidmouth with a squad of 10, including Trevor Goss whose groin injury confined him to walking pace for much of the match.

Goss started in the back four but his limited mobility quickly became apparent. However, before switching to a lone striker role, he made a vital goal line clearance when a Sidmouth forward slipped the ball past debutant goalie Oscar Smith who, despite his diminutive stature, made a number of excellent saves demonstrating bravery and lightning fast re-

The hosts' numerical advantage was apparent in midfield for much of the first half, but Chard kept battling with fine performances from James Spurdle, Nick Parkinson and Jason Goddard, while Paul Tratt was outstanding in defence.

When Chard won their first penalty corner Goss put them ahead with a low strike which beat the keeper for pace.

Goss had a couple of other chances before halftime which, had he been fitter, he might have put away Harvey Dening also went close to extending Chard's

After the frenetic pace of the first half Chard modified their game plan after the interval, trying to build more through midfield and along the left flank through the efforts of Dening and Tom King. Despite being the man down, they began to get the

upper hand, Sidmouth's keeper coming to the rescue several times and their defence hanging on grimly

Smith made another fine save with his chest at the other end before the home side's controversial

A clear foul on Goddard as he ran into Sidmouth's D was not called and in seconds the ball was lashed down to the other end where Smith saved brilliantly at the cost of a long corner from which, in a melee of players, the ball was stabbed into the net

Despite this setback Chard kept their passing game going and were rewarded with three minutes remaining when a cross from the left found Parkinson who slotted home at the back post.

Hopefully, more of the squad will be available for the trip to West Dorset next Saturday. **Squad**: O Smith, P Tratt, A Critchley, S Mahoney, J

Spurdle (capt), J Goddard, N Parkinson, T King, H Dening, T Goss. MATCH SPONSOR: TOP TOGS.

boules axe valley league

Summer's just around the corner - boules is back!

THE Axe Valley Boules League Annual General Meeting and registration night will be held at Seaton Football Club on Tuesday, March 1st, starting at 7.30pm.

The entry fee of £20 per team is the same as last year, new teams are more than welcome just turn up at the meeting.

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rugby chard rfc

Gritty win for Chard in drop zone

South West Division One

CHARD took on Bideford with a very young and inexperienced side but, after a fine disciplined performance in the first half, they fell away in the last quarter of the match allowing Bideford to score three second half tries which gave them a victory which was never as comfortable as the final scoreline

With a few players, including coach Simon Jenkins away skiing for two weeks, and others seemingly not able to play away, Chard brought in Ben Robinson at hooker and skipper Ryan Helliar reverted to his favourite position in the back row and were able to give other squad members a chance to

They started well, dominating pos session and territory. New fly half Chad Northcott kicked well out of hand and Chard continually pushed Bideford back deep in their own half.

Chard had an early chance to slot over a penalty but full back Humphreys pulled his kick wide and the normally reliable kicker would go on to have an off day with the boot.

The visitors could have gone ahead

with a simple penalty in front of the posts but opted for the scrummage in an attempt to go for the line but unfortunately they lost the ball and the chance was gone.

Chard eventually took then lead when Northcott made a good initial break before some slick passing ended with a neat off load inside to young prop Dave Biss who crashed over.

Unfortunately the relatively straightforward conversion was missed but Chard deservedly led 5-0 at half-time. his players at half time really worked because they were a different team in the second half.

Within ten minutes Chard lost the ball when the scrum was turned and home number eight Dean Folland picked up and went over for a converted try which fly half Ollie Wickett converted.

Humphries missed another penalty but from the restart Chard won the ball and Humphries made amends when he kicked a drop goal from fully 40metres to put Chard back in to the lead.

But the visitors began to tire and lost their discipline playing from deep in their own half instead of gaining ground with the steady kicking game that had served them well in the first

Chard were pinned back in their own half for long periods and Bideford made the most of it by converting two penalties and driving over for a second try from a lineout. Chard were now chasing the game and, as so often happens in doing so, they conceded a third try late in the game.

Despite the loss the positives were Miller and Gosden in the heart of the scrum as well as winning lots of lineout ball. Luke Aplin had another solid game in the front row and Matt Tinley made his presence felt.
The backs looked better organised with

Northcott looking the part at fly half and Humphreys - other than his goal kicking - looking solid at the back Unfortunately this loss puts Chard down into the relegation zone but they

Next Saturday Chard are confident that their home game against Avonmouth a 2.15pm kick off. The 2nd xv game scheduled to be

WITH GLYN HUGHES

played at home last weekend against Yatton 2nds had to be postponed due to a waterlogged pitch

Yatton 3rd xv 14 Chard 3rd xv 14 merset Division Two South

CHARD played down the slope in the opening half and opened the scoring with a fine try from MoM Emil Szy-delko after excellent work from the pack with Gavin Smillie playing a prominent role, Fullback Wayne Lewis added the extras but it was no real surprise when Yatton equalised with a converted try of their own.

The sides shared two more converted tries with Szydelko and Lewis again getting on the score sheet for Chard. Late in the game Lewis attempted a drop goal to try and win the game but his effort was deflected away by a Yatton hand and the opportunity was lost. Next Saturday the 2nd xv are away at Keynsham and the 3rd xv are at home to North Petherton.

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| Bridgwater & Alb | .17 | 36 | 54 |
| Weston-super-Mare . | .17 | 120 | 54 |
| Bideford | .19 | 52 | 52 |
| Drybrook | .17 | 82 | 46 |
| Wells | | -57 | 36 |
| Clevedon | .15 | -13 | 30 |
| Teignmouth | .18 | -232 | 30 |
| North Petherton | .19 | -185 | 28 |
| Avonmouth OB | .18 | -147 | 26 |
| CHARD | .16 | -103 | 25 |
| Coney Hill | .18 | -300 | 3 |
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starter's order's running round-up

Tim on top in Four Trigs trudge

CHARD ROAD RUNNERS with Paul Masters

THE soul representative from CRR's in the Taunton HUMDINGER HALF was Helen Baxter.

This hilly and, in some places flooded course was a challange from the off for the field of 178.

Making sure she wasn't to be drawn by the runners in the shorter 'Hustle' race Helen soon found herself up against some deep water as the course was flooded before the Famous Humdinger Hill slowed the pace. But Helen fought on and crossed the line in 2h 20m 22s

Meanwhile Mel Boarder Colin Boarder, Matt Brown and Lindsey Quinlan set off on the hooter with lots of jockeying for position in the 1st lap of the EXETER CITY HAI'F

This race had a delayed start after police had to seal off part of the course, but the organisers rerouted to enable the runners to head off onto the near pancake flat three-lap off road route.

Both Matt and Lindsey were pushing hard to beat previous times.

Colin crossed first for CRR's, while Baker smashed his previous Half time by 10 minutes.

Next it was Boarder with CRR's second PB of the day with Lindsey completing a PB hat-trick. Times; Colin Boarder 1h

55m 10s, Matt Baker 2h 00m 32s, Mel Boarder 2h 09m 03s, Lindsey Quinlan 2h 22m 20s.

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS with Dave Mutter

LAST weekend's FOUR TRIGS race was slippier and slidier than usual, courtesy of the rain the

◆ CITY SLICKERS: Chard Road Runners pictured at the Exeter City Half -

line-up, from left; Mel Boarder, Matt Baker, Lindsey Quinlan, Colin Boarder

day before, so the 17 hillyand-largely off-road miles were tough. Setting a blistering pace

from the start, Tim Lenton pulled away from the rest to win in 2:24 while Patrick Devine-Wright finished third in 2:32. In his first running race

for a few years, Garry Per-ratt was please to finish 7th in 2:45 while Chris Perry was 12th, 2:54.

Eleanor Wood finished 28th overall and 3rd lady 3:37 and Stuart Bellworthy was 42nd, in 4:01.
The rest of the AVR

crowd ran together - Margaret Pearce, Chris Hill, Alan Morbey, Anna McLoughlin & Steve McLoughlin Steve Haines were equal 63rd in

Despite the course having over 1000 feet of ascent Matthew Hewer and Terry Emmett both had excellent results in the



HUMDINGER Marathon at Taunton. Terry was joint 4th in 1:24:10 and Matthew 22nd, 1:33:35.

HONITON RUNNING CLUB with Judy Davey JASMINE Stone repres-

ened Devon in the recent Southwest Schools' Cross Country Championships at Cheltenham.

The weather conditions were very wet and muddy under foot but Jasmine ran well and came 21st and was the 4th Devon runner home from their team of 10 contributing to the team finishing 2nd out of the seven counties represented.

Kyle Hartnell took part in the Intermediate Boys race and came 37th.

George Tomkins did well to come 32nd helping the Devon Junior Boys to an overall win over the other Counties. All races had 66

tee off golf news

Rain hits Hassle

CRICKET ST THOMAS with Bert Robinson

DUE to adverse weather conditions there was a small turnout on Monday for the Seniors' threeman 'Hassle' tournament which was restricted to nine holes Norman Markby's trio set the pace in returning a

gross score of one under par 35. This was enough to win by a single shot over the team led by Mike Result: 1st Norman Markby; Nobby Hodder & John Pearce 35 gross, 2nd Mike Aldridge; Bert Robinson

& Mike Hone 36. Better weather on Wednesday saw 36 Seniors enter the three-man Stableford competition where

all players had to contribute on every hole. The event was held over nine holes as the west

side of the course was still affected by water. Most teams finished around the par score, but Captain Roger Stone and his team finished well

ahead with 62 points. Result: 1st Roger Stone; Ron Sutherland & Nobby Hodder 62 points, 2nd Des Denning; Stuart Pope &

Lindsey Gage 55, 3rd Dick Hall; Andy Beale & Malcolm Roy 55. With the course having dried out somewhat by Friday, 15 pairs of Seniors took part in the fourth

round of the Winter League competition. After three rounds there was little to choose be-

the teams led by Roger Stone, Bob White and Maurice Arnold.

The latter two returned scores of 38 and 41 points

but Roger Stone and John McOmish stormed in with an unassailable score of 46 to win the day's leg and take the overall lead with four rounds to play. Result: 1st Roger Stone & John McOmish 46, 2nd

Mick Hilson & Keith Branchflower 43, 3rd Maurice Arnold & Richard Forster 41.

AXE CLIFF with Peter Motson

THE Ladies section enjoyed some good weather to play the Introduction Round of their Australian Spoons Competitions which, is played as a foursomes but, with freedom to change partners to improve a previous score.

There was only one point separating each of the top three pairs who were; 1st Margaret Kenchington Stella Thompson, 2nd was Alison Cook & Pauline Willis and 3rd Barbara Cummings & Jo Donmall.

Last week's Seniors Section Winter League round produced the following results; 1st after countback, with 35 points was J Hanna (22hc) & P Hornsby (15 hc), 2nd were T Jessup (20hc) & A Bishop (26hc) also with 35 and, 3rd were D Lacey (22hc) & T Strong (6hc) with 34. Two 2 were carded by N Bowles and T Jessup.

HONITON with John Pawley

RETIRING Captain Stewart Slater spoke briefly of his year at the club's AGM last Thursday and passed on his congratulations to Julian Phillips who is on taking on the role for 2016.

Julian looked forward to the challenge ahead, spoke of his pride at being given this honour, promised a lot of fun and introduced his deputy, Julian

In closing the evening, President Alec Gosling saw a very positive future for the club and congratulated the Committee for their valued work over the past year, and also paid tribute to Olwen Eaton for her work which he said was 'over and above that required of the lady Captain'.

On Sunday the course was closed again, but members were able to swing a club at a charity 'nearest the flag' event in the indoor training facility organised by Adrian Cave.

Money raised went to the Captains charity, Devon Freewheelers, with Richard Beard the eventual win-

Lunchtime saw Julian and Stewart chip and puttout on the 18th green before the assembled crowd watched the Drive-in.



CHIP AND PUTT: from left; Julian Phillips. Adrian Cave and Stewart Slater

Necks.

SINGLES; New Inn 0-4 Red

Lion A, Red Bulls 2–2 Vault B, Tons Of Bull 4–0 Axmin–

ster Inn, Vault A 3-1 Red

angling ilminster aa Field champ

WITH the river still high, 11 Ilminster AA members were back on the Dillington pond

for the final round of the Royal Oak League. It fished really well with the top four all breaking dou-

ble figures, Jamie Rich (Against Men and Fish) had the top weight on the day with 19lb 12oz of roach, rudd, perch and a bonus 4lb 2oz bream from peg 14, Rich caught on pinkie early on before switching to caster. Tackleuk's Scott Russell was second with 12lb 5oz from peg 4 and Graham Field (Taunton) was third with 10lb 11oz from peg 8. After eight matches Gra-

ham Field was crowned the Royal Oak League Champion with 12 points followed by Robin Cox (14) and Jamie Rich(17).

The club would like to

thank to Steve and Cindy at the Royal Oak for their support and also to Rob Cox for running an excellent series.

Sections; A - Justin Charles (Ilminster) - 7lb 15oz, B – Ashley Tomkins (Tackleuk) – 10lb 9oz.

It's the final V.E.S. Precision match on Sunday.

COLYTON LEAGUE

Div 1; New Inn A 366 (D Jones 75) Gerrard A 352 (T

Welch 65); Honiton Con D 378 (M Wakley 80) Lamb A

355 (S Pomeroy 66); Cloakham B 407 (B Pring 84)

Axe Con A 338 (E Wraxhall 63); Hon WMC A 334 (R Alann 63) Tuckers Arms B

326 (D Coombes 61); Lamb B 351 (A Churchill 70) Red Lion Cavaliers 336 (W

Phillips 64); Colcombe A 394 (G Millman 76) Vine B 411 (D Blackmore 88); Colyton

Club A 370 (P Scotchford, R

Club A 3/0 (P Scotchford, R Tedbury 65) Sidbury Stones 358 (G Sweetland 66). **Div 2**: Red Lion A 421 (Mag-gie Miller 85) Offwell A 433 (J Lockyer 88); Mountbatten Whites 352 (E Bonetta 76)

Honiton Converts 308 (J Dawes 60); Vine A 370 (P Hurford 69) Cloakham Wan-derers 316 (C Coulson 60);

Seaton AFC A 372 (M Pavey 73) Volunteer A 374 (C Perryman 66); Wheelwright A 333

man 66); Wheelwright A 353 (P Hammett 69) Eagle Tavern 306 (C Hutchings 60); Ger-rard B 297 (S Potter 60) Col-combe Beerboys 289 (P Crabb 53); Ship C v Beer B

Div 3; Sidbury Village inn 364 (J Pinn 69) Three Tuns Hammers 328 (J Woollacott,

D Arun 58); White Hart B 322 (D House, R Gibbons 61) Wilmington Harts 340 (S

Land 64); Red Lion Sid 327 (A Burfoot 61) Honiton Con BTP 340 (K Zarcynski 65);

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Volunteer B 342 (8 Holdsworth 66) Tuckers Arms A 299 (J Gostling 54); Beer Vikings 351 (K Aris 66) Col-combe B 347 (V Wood 67); Beer A 320 (M Westlake 66) Ship A 300 (D Minchin 61). Div 4; Axminster Inn A 332

Div 4; Axminster Inn A 332 (M Lewis 71) Kingfisher A 326 (M Griffiths 61); Honiton Conartists 335 (P Dale 70) New Inn B 360 (A Resee 73); Vine Nomads 333 (G Norman 63) Rising Sun A 339 (T Churchill 65); Rising Sun B 339 (M Clode 75) Honiton WMC B 327 (J Smith 65); Tuckers C 339 (R Dare 63) Seaton AFC B 344 (J Furber 62): Kings Arms A 341 (K

Volunteer

Jack high bowls news

Apsey through to last 16 in nationals

THERE was a hat trick for Honiton ladies winning all three disciplines in the county quarter finals in the East sector. By beating teams from Madeira

and Sidmouth, Honiton bowlers will play in the DCLIBA semi finals to be held at Plymouth Life Centre February 26th and 27th. The players are; Julie Grant & Carol Smith (pairs), Di Hawkins,

Heather Chambers & Carol Smith (triples) and Joan Heard, Shirley Hiscocks, Carole Binmore & Sue Evans (fours). In the county Lane League Honi-

ton gained eight points over ISCA by winning 74–64, top triple were Di Hawkins, Tilly Tillier & Heather Chambers 25-8. Bournemouth play Everton in the

FA cup this Saturday but Honiton bowlers will be much more interested in the match going on nearby as the ladies take on Bournemouth in the national quarter final of the Yetton Trophy where two rinks will be played at home and two away.

The following day Yvonne Rayner, Joan Heard, Carole Bin-more & Sue Evans will contest their national inter- area final against Plymouth at Torbay.

In a mixed friendly last week Honiton lost 46-64 to Exonia but the men won their ICL against

Dawlish by winning on three rinks Apologies to Richard Bland whom I missed out of a top rink last week.

AXMINSTER with David Harris

THE Ladies had an excellent win against MID DEVON in the County anes' Competition. Both home rinks were successful

Brenda Edwards, Lou Harris & Margaret Crompton (27–14) and Margaret Stancliffe, Jo Barnish & Judith Moffitt (20–18) whilst both away rinks lost narrowly – Joan Quick, Phil White & Ann Clayton (15–16) and Margaret Ball, Sue Bond & Alison Glyde (13–15).

In the mixed friendlies we won 73-34 at home against SEVERELLS with wins for Pam Hunter, Alan Nabbaro, David Harris & Derek Pheby (32–10), Malcolm Denslow, Margaret Brown, Jan Parsons & Brian Clark (24–13) and Morrison Brown, Mike Heneghan, George Mabon & Margaret Crompton (17–11).

Next up we beat TAUNTON DEANE 66-51 at home with wins for Morrison Brown, Ann Clayton, Steven Apsey & Brian Clark (29– 14) and Daphne Ryan, Alan Foster, Alan Nabbaro & Margaret Crompton (23-11).

Steven Apsey (17) has reached the last 16 of the National Under-18 singles competition by beating Ffion Reed recently at Honiton – he now goes to Spalding for the finals in March. Steven is also in the semi-finals of the Devon County under 21 singles competition

ILMINSTER with Des Maull

ON Thursday Ilminster Ladies played WATCHET in the Ladies South West League winning one rink, losing one and winning overall 42–28. Details: Home Barbara Turner, Margaret Evans, Heather Grinter & June Checketts 23-8; Away, Myra Childs, Norma Pugh, Jill Parker & Ann Truscott 18-20 On Saturday an Ilminster mixed

team played the NOMADS in a friendly with Ilminster winning on all rinks and by 70 shots to 34. Details: Penny Śtow, Heather Sims, John Osborne & Barry Sims 30-9; Brian Welch, Eddie Hadfield, Ann Truscott & Mike King 14-12;Val Dargue, Rita Grout, Roy Orme &

Royston Grout 26–13.
On Sunday the visitors were SHERBORNE with Ilminster winning on two rinks, losing on one and winning overall 73-48. Details: Steve Peasland, Barbara Dean, Dave Hall & June Checketts 20-24; Anthea Hall, Antony Bickle, Arthur Callaghan & Ken Parker 21-12: John Pemberton, Jill Parker, Cyril Cox and Roger Lench 30-12.

MFRRIOTT smbc Anne Weeks AFTER their previous 16-6 win against Musbury in the Milford & Dormer League, Merriott Canaries

were hoping for a similar success against Chard's Harlequins. However, it was not be and the

Canaries went down 23–9.

Merriott also defeated visitors

Martock 54–28 in a friendly.

CHARD with Sandra Sumpter ON Monday, February 8th Chard defeated visiting SOUTH PETHER-TON in a friendly. Chard took the match by 3 games to 1 and 56-29 shots.

On Friday Chard played COLY-TON B at home in the East Devon League, Chard winning 5 games to 3 and 62–41 points. In this week's Milford & Dormor

League Harlequins continued their winning ways by beating Canaries 25–9. Greyhounds played Hurricanes in a very close game with Hurricanes winning 12–10.

Finally, Musbury defeated Trull

| Current Table | Pld | +/- | Pts |
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| Harlequins | 16 | 202 | 30 |
| Hurricanes | 17 | -54 | 17 |
| Musbury | 15 | -3 | 16 |
| Trull | 16 | -12 | 14 |
| Canaries | 18 | -55 | 12 |
| Greyhounds | 15 | -50 | 9 |

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RESULTS (February 2nd) TEAM; New Inn 0-6 Red Lion A, Red Bulls 1-5 Vault B, Tons Of Bull 5-1 Axminster Inn, Vault A 4–2 Red

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Week 15: Kingfisher B 3(4) Vault 2(2); Beer Club B 3(3)
Week 15: Kingfisher B 5(4) Vault 2(2); Beer Club B 3(3) Golden Hind 2(3); PJ's 0(3) Kings Arms B 5(3); Seaton FC A 4(3) Seaton FC B 1(3); Colcombe Ca 0(2) Kingfisher A

Week 16: Vault 4(3) Colcombe Ca 1(3); Seaton FC B 3(3) PJ's 2(3); Golden Hind 3(2) Kingfisher B 2(4).

HIGHEST MAKEOUTS: 120 Kevin Searle (Seaton FC A). 180s: Theron Mills (Kings Arms B). 9-dart Leg: Kevin Searle (Seaton FC A).

Pld Pts Singles

| Seaton FC A1 | 4 62 | Seaton FC A14 | 65 |
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| Seaton FC B1 | 5 56 | Seaton FC B15 | 60 |
| PJs1 | 5 47 | Kings Arms B14 | 50 |
| Kingfisher A1 | 3 36 | Kingfisher A13 | 47 |
| Golden Hind1 | | PJs15 | |
| Kings Arms B1 | 4 25 | Golden Hind15 | 42 |
| Beer Club B1 | 3 31 | Kingfisher B15 | 40 |
| Vault1 | | Vault14 | 36 |
| Kingfisher B1 | 5 20 | Beer Club B13 | 34 |
| Colcombe C1 | 4 17 | Colcombe C14 | 25 |
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Axminster taking guard

AXMINSTER Cricket Club winter nets will start on Sunday, February 28th from 4pm to 5pm at the Axe Valley Sports Centre.

The sessions will run for five weeks from the end of February and throughout March.

This will be a great opportunity to brush off those winter cobwebs and prepare for the forthcoming season. All our existing players, and new members, are welcome.

Pld Pts

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LYME REGIS

Results - February 8th: Axminster Inn 4 New Inn Kilm B 1, Stepps 2 Gerrard Arms 3, Lamb Swans 1 Beer Club 4, New Inn Kilm A 2 Nags Head 3, Royal Oak 4 Talbot Arms 1. Old Inn Kilm 1 Axminster Con Club 4

Beer League; Axminster Inn 2 New Inn Kilm B 1, Stepps 2 Gerrard Arms 1, Lamb Swans 0 Beer Club 3, New Inn Kilm A 1 Nags Head 2, Royal Oak 1 Talbot Arms 2, Old Inn Kilm 1 Axminster Con Club 2.

Fixtures (Feb 22nd); Gerrard Arms v Lamb Swans, New Inn Kilm B v Stepps, Axminster Con Club v Ship LR, Talbot Arms v Old Inn Kilm, Nags Head v Royal Oak, Beer Club v New Inn Kilm A.

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| xminster Con Club . | 20 | 56 |
| Beer Club | 21 | 54 |
| lags Head | 20 | 52 |
| loyal Oak | 20 | 50 |
| lew Inn Kilm A | 20 | 49 |
| Ship Inn LR | 20 | 48 |
| Old Inn Kilm | 20 | 47 |
| xminster Inn | 20 | 45 |
| lew Inn Kilm B | 20 | 42 |
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| Beer League | DId | Pts |
| xminster Con Club. | 20 | 39 |
| lew Inn Kilm A | | 34 |
| loyal Oak | | 34 |
| albot Arms | 20 | 32 |
| Gerrard Arms | | 32 |
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Stepps Axminster Inn

Old Inn Kilm ...

Beer Club . Ship Inn LR

Nags Head.

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Results - February 11th: Feniton Soc A 4 Black-smith Arms 4, Honiton Inn 3 New Fountain Thirsty Farmer 4 Feniton Soc B 4, Vine Inn A 5 Vine Inn B 3, Workingmens A 5.Workingmens B 3.

Captains Cup; Audrey Hawkins 1 Hedley Hawkins 0, Brenda Flood 0 Maureen Pendrick 1, Julie Bath 0 Steve Pettitt 1, Lorraine White 0 Julie Davis 1, Rita Freemantle 1 Lionel Hawkins 0.

Fixtures (Feb 18th); Feniton Soc B v Workingmens B. Honiton Inn A v Vine Inn A, New Fountain v Thirsty Farmer, Vine Inn B v Honi-ton Inn B, Workingmens A

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◆ There is a Crib Drive at the Honiton Inn. Awliscombe on Thursday, February 25th - 7.30pm start.

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70) White Hart A 36 Knight 70); Heathfield E (Marion Fletcher 78) Co Club B 374 (M Berry Seaton Bowling Club (Hazel Smith 63) Heath A 263 (R Curry 49); K fisher B 287 (L Brigh Bright 53) Old Inn Kings (S Fuller 52):

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| Division One | Pld | Pt |
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| Honiton Con D | 18 | 20 |
| Gerrard A | 18 | 253 |
| New Inn A | 18 | 24 |
| Axe Con A | 18 | 20 |
| Colyton Club A | 18 | 20 |
| Tuckers Arms B | 18 | 19 |
| Lamb A | 18 | 18 |
| Red Lion Cavs | | 18 |
| Vine B | 18 | 18 |
| Lamb B | 18 | 17 |
| Cloakham B | 18 | 10 |
| Sidbury SC Stones | 18 | 14 |
| Colcombe A | | 12 |
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| Division Two | Pld | Pts |
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| Seaton AFC A | 18 | 26 |
| Red Lion A | 18 | 25 |
| Honiton Converts | 18 | 22 |
| Offwell A | 18 | 22 |
| Volunteer A | 18 | 22 |
| Beer SC B | 17 | 20 |
| Vine A | 18 | 17 |
| Wheelwright A | 18 | 16 |
| Cloakham Wanderers . | 18 | 15* |
| Ship C | 17 | 14 |
| Cofcombe Beerboys | 18 | 14 |
| Gerrard B | 18 | 14 |
| Eagle Tavern | | 11 |
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| Tuckers Arms A | 2 |
| Three Tuns Hammers 17 | 2 |
| Red Lion Sidbury 17 | 2 |
| Beer Vikings | 1 |
| Beer Albion | 1 |
| Beer SC A | 1 |
| Sidbury Village Inn 16 | 1 |
| Colcombe B | 1 |
| Volunteer B | 1 |
| Ship A | 1 |
| White Hart B | 1 |
| Wilmington Harts 17 | 1 |
| Honiton Con BTP 16 | 9 |
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| Kingfisher A | 2 |
| Vine Nomads | 2 |
| Rising Sun A | 2 |
| Rising Sun B | 1 |
| Honiton WMC B 17 | 1 |
| Axe Inn A | 1 |
| Honiton Con A | 1 |
| Kings Arms A 16 | 1 |
| Seaton AFC B | 1 |
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| Division Two | Pld | Pts |
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| Red Lion A | | 25 |
| Honiton Converts | 18 | 22 |
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| Wheelwright A | 18 | 16 |
| Cloakham Wanderers . | 18 | 15* |
| Ship C | 17 | 14 |
| Colcombe Beerboys | 18 | 14 |
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| Three Tuns Hammers 17 | 22 |
| Red Lion Sidbury17 | 20 |
| Beer Vikings | 18 |
| Beer Albion | 10 |
| Beer SC A | 10 |
| Sidbury Village Inn 16 | 10 |
| Colcombe B | 10 |
| Volunteer B | 14 |
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| White Hart B | 14 |
| Wilmington Harts 17 | 14 |
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| Division Four | Pld | Pts |
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| Kingfisher A | 17 | 28 |
| /ine Nomads | 17 | 23 |
| Rising Sun A | 17 | 21 |
| Rising Sun B | 16 | 18 |
| Honiton WMC B | 17 | 18 |
| Axe Inn A | | 17 |
| Honiton Con A | | 17 |
| Kings Arms A | 16 | 16 |
| Seaton AFC B | | 16 |
| Honiton ConArtists | 16 | 14 |
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Div 2; Axminster FC 388 (M
Boniface 74) New Inn C 397
(R Webb 86), Gerrard A 287
(J Richards 65) Gerrard D 316
(M Facey 58), Wootton Cowboys 359 (I Johnson 68)
Thorncombe A 327 (M Stead
60), Colcombe A 416 (F Batten 77) Red Lion C 375 (L
Herrod 76), Hawk H/Cs 392
(J Lucas 78) Cloakham Stars (J Lucas 78) Cloakham Stars 400 (A Ostler 77), New Inn A 321 (D Hodder 59) Ax Inn Jokers 345 (A Churchill 66). **Div 3**; Red Lion B 384 (J Bailey 80) v WH Warriors 384 (B Dormer 83) Tuckers Maggots 374 (C McGowen 76) v Lamb 49rs 359 (T Watt J Larcombe 66) Old Hawk IV 405 (S Herrod 78) v W H Wilm B 384 (S rod /8) v W H WIII B 384 (S Herrin 75) Ax Con A 302 (P Banner 59) v Old Hawk A 287 (J Churchill C Churchill 54) Old Kilm B 345 (A France J Smart 60) v Colcombe B 322 (K Wyatt 62).

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Div 4; Gerrard C 296 (M Macaskill 54) v Bottle Inn 269 (A Harre 51) Ax Inn A 300 (B Margetts 55) v King Wingers 357 (W Curneo 68) New Inn Hawks 342 (D Lucas 66) v Seaton BC 302 (G Thomas 50) Kingfisher A 286 Thomas 59) Kingfisher A 286 (A Neal-Hopes 58) v Colcombe Nomads 285 (R Gush 55).

| Division One | Pld | Pts |
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| Red Lion Red Devils | 18 | 30 |
| B & Gs | 18 | 28 |
| Ax Con Club Rebels | 17 | 22 |
| Lamb Spartans | 18 | 22 |
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| Thorncombe B18 | 22 |
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| Tuckers B | 19 |
| Thorncombe Drifters 18 | 18 |
| Tuckers C | 16 |
| Sidmouth Arms | 15 |
| Green Army | 14 |
| The Feds | 13 |
| Old Inn Kilmington A 18 | 12 |
| Red Lion D | 10 |
| Lamb A | 9 |
| Division Two Pld | Pts |
| Wootton Cowboys 18 | 30 |
| Gerrard D | 26 |
| Colcombe A | 20 |
| Thorncombe C17 | 20 |
| Red Lion C 18 | 18 |

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| Division Three Pld | I |
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| Axminster Town AFC 18 | |
| Cloakham Stars | |
| Gerrard A | |
| White Hart Wilm A 17 | |
| New Inn Kilm A | |
| Red Lion C | |

| Division Four | Pld |
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| Tuckers Y | 16 |
| Colcombe B | |
| Red Lion B | |
| Lamb 49s | |
| Gerrard B | |
| Wootton Sherberts | |
| Axe Con Club A | 18 |
| Old Inn Hawk IV | 17 |
| White Hart Warriors . | 18 |
| White Hart Wilm B | 18 |
| Old Inn Kilmington B | 18 |
| Old Inn Hawk A | 17 |
| Kings Arms Seaton A | 15 |
| Tuckers Maggots | 18 |

| Division Four | Pld |
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| King Wingers | 15 |
| Colcombe Nomads | 15 |
| New Inn Kilm Hawks | 16 |
| Axe Inn A | 14 |
| Gerrard C | 16 |
| Ship Rotary | 15 |
| Kingfisher A | 15 |
| Bottle Inn | |
| Seaton Bowling A | |
| Lamb Shanks | |
| Tuckers Arms A | |
| Winston Wobblers | |
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Ladies League Div 1; Seaton BC 293 (S Parkhouse 54) v New Inn B 276 (S Hurford 53) (Coakham A 343 (W Kiy 65) v Perfect Pins 327 (N Bond 61) Ax Inn A 304 (S Peylord 61) v Wort Pins 327 (N Bond 61) AX Inn A 304 (S Boyland 61) v Wot-nots 331 (L Galloway 67) Tuckers C 319 (G Goss 60) v Colcombe A 334 (A Ogden 70) New Inn A 289 (P Hurford S) v Gerrard Guzzlers 288 (P Berry 54) Red Lion A 344 (J Flint 77) v Rousdon Ladies Flint 77) v Rousdon Ladies 370 (G Gabb 78). Div 2; Cloakham Castaways 295 (R Enticott 56) v Tuckers A 336 (L Gould 70) Thorn-combe Newtops 334 (K

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| Seaton Bowling | 16 |
| Gerrard Guzzlers | 14 |
| Bees Knees | 12 |
| Cloakham A | 12 |
| Tuckers Arms C | 12 |
| B & Js | 6 |
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| Ladies Division Two Pld | Pts |
| Thorn' Newtops 18 | 30 |
| Colcombe B | 27 |
| Colcombe Girls | 26 |
| Tuckers Arms A | 24 |
| Gerrard A | 24 |
| Red Lion Rabble 18 | 20 |
| Thorncombe A | 16 |
| Tuckers Arms B 18 | 16 |
| Cloakham Castaways 18 | 14 |
| White Hart Wilm A 18 | 12 |
| Old Inn Kilmington 18 | 12 |
| Colcombe Angels 18 | - 11 |
| Seaton FC18 | 10 |
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| Division One | Pld | Pts | |
| Super Sexy Six | 14 | 142 | |
| Headhunters | 14 | 122 | |
| Lost Boys | 14 | 113 | |
| The Coachmen | | 85 | |
| Rollers | 14 | 82 | |
| Stray Cats | 14 | 81 | |
| Football Club | 14 | 78 | |
| Royal Oak Drimpton | 14 | 69 | |
| King Willy Dogs | 14 | 68 | |
| Mighty Ducks | 14 | 61 | |
| Brewers Bees | 14 | 58 | |
| Loud & Proud | | 49 | |
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| Acorns | 13 | 106 | |
| Rugrats | 13 | 93 | |
| Pinbusters | 13 | 87 | |
| Raptors | | 82 | |
| Perrott Monkeys | 12 | 79 | |
| HillBillys | 12 | 66 | |
| Chis Colts | 12 | 60 | |
| Skimmers | | 59 | |
| Fryers | | 56 | |
| Concorde | 13 | 41 | |
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| Fudders | | | |
| Jgly Ducklings | 14 | 103 | |
| Jakley Doakleye | 1.4 | 103 | |

| Keepers | .17 | 25 |
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| Marsh Green | .16 | 24 |
| A Team | .16 | 20 |
| Breakways | .15 | 18 |
| Honiton Clyst | .16 | 18 |
| Awliscombe Shoot | .13 | 16 |
| Tuckers Arms | | 14 |
| Cocks & Hens | .15 | 14 |
| Latecomers | .16 | 13 |
| Stags | .14 | 12 |
| Broadclyst | | 9 |
| Jack's Lads | .16 | 9 |
| Axe Valley | .16 | 8 |
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| Division Three P | | Pts |
| Top Cats | .14 | 24 |
| Brooksiders | .16 | 22 |
| New Inn | .15 | 18 |
| Yoyo's | .13 | 16 |
| Bakers 8 | | 16 |
| Goldtons | 14 | 14 |

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| (| Goldtops | 14 |
| | Guys & Gals | 14 |
| N | Maynards | 12 |
| | Here for the Beer | 12 |
|) | řetties | 12 |
| E | Bashers | 10 |
| A | Alley Cats | 10 |
| (| Cee Dee's | 4 |
| 1 | Top Scores; Gus York (Jack's I | Lads) |
| | Mark Vinnicombe (Marvels) | |



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on their return to the Perry Street League Premier Division. Line-up, standing from left: Darren

Wells-Burr, Lee Hames, Davi Rodrigues, Jamie Brown, Tom Newport (capt), Norbert Harasimowicz, James Govier(manager). Front: Alex Ives, Kamil Wilk, Brendan Fraser Luesley, George Pitman, Josh Rolfe, Rui Rodrigues.

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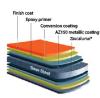








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